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Leading Dry Goods Store

Is still doing business and expects to be whether they strike gas or oil. My stock is complete in every line. - - - - - -

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I have the largest and best assortment ever kept by me, which I am selling at VERY CLOSE PRICES. - - - - - - Come and see the beautiful styles in Ladies Capes and Jackets, cheaper than you can buy the same in the large cities. Also Misses and Children's Jackets. - -

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Is well stocked with Ladies, Gentlemen's and Childrens wear. Cheaper in price not quality) than any exclusive Shoe House can afford to sell for. - - -

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It is not necessary to enumerate the many bargains I have for you. Come and see for yourselves. We will take pleasure in showing you them, whether you wish to buy or not.

Respectfully

H. C. OLMSTED.

JORDAN BROS.

—Dealers in—

Staple and Fancy Groceries, Dry Goods, Fresh, Salt and Smoked Meats, Fruit in season, Tobacco, Cigars, Confectionery and School Supplies.

A complete line of Fall and Winter Goods.

We would be pleased to have you call and inspect our stock whether you purchase or not.

Goods delivered anywhere in town, free of charge.

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EVERY MAN has or ought to have an eye on his attire. Fine Clothing is the uniform of success and prosperity. Every man seeks to look his best. He must have a good tailor to help him do it. We claim first place in that line and having opened our

New Spring and Summer Goods.

We are now ready to serve our customers with the latest in models of clothes.

R. SEGER & CO.,

THE MERCHANT TAILORS.

Emporium, Pa.

Republican County Convention.

The Republicans of Cameron county met in convention last Tuesday, at the Court House, in Emporium, for the purpose of recommending a candidate for President Judge and elect delegates to State, Congressional and Senatorial Conventions. H. C. Olmsted, Chairman of the Republican County Committee, called the convention to order. A. C. Blum, of Emporium, was elected Chairman, and J. O. Brookbank, Driftwood, and W. R. Sizer, Portage, secretaries. On motion of John J. Hinkle the following order of business was adopted:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Nomination and election of President.
2. Nomination and election of Secretaries.
3. Roll call of Delegates.
4. Naming of Committee of three on Resolutions, by President.
5. Nominations of Candidates for President Judge
6. Election of Candidate for President Judge.
7. Nominations of Candidates for State Delegate.
8. Election of Delegate to State Convention.
9. Election of Alternate Delegate to State Convention.
10. Election of five Congressional Conferees and five alternates.
11. Election of three Senatorial Conferees and alternates.
12. Report of Committee on Resolutions.
13. Appointment of Committee to notify Candidates.
14. Miscellaneous business.

The roll of delegates being called the following credentials were presented.

DELEGATES.

SHIPPEN—B. L. Spence, John McClenahan, Geo. W. VanWert, Chas. King, Lewis Yates, John F. Rhodes.
MIDDLE WARD—John J. Hinkle, F. P. Rentz, Frank Mundy, Philip Knight.
WEST WARD—Chas. L. Butler, Chas. L. Barton, Henry Jessop, Fred A. Hill.
EAST WARD—A. C. Blum, L. K. Huntington, C. R. Husted.
LUMBER—Theo. F. Hudson, Gordon Howlett, Benj. Dayton.
PORTAGE—Wm. R. Sizer, A. L. Ensign.
DRIFTWOOD—J. O. Brookbank, John P. Murphy, Thos. Connelly.
GROVE—C. F. Barclay, M. Blodget.
GIBSON—John B. Wykoff, John McMillen.

Chairman A. C. Blum named as committee on resolutions, Jno. J. Hinkle, F. A. Hill and Thos. Connelly.

Geo. W. VanWert, of Shippen, presented the name of B. W. Green, Esq., of Emporium. There being no other candidates Mr. Green was, upon motion of John J. Hinkle, declared unanimously nominated.

E. W. Gaskill, of Shippen, and V. A. Brooks, of Gibson, were placed in nomination for delegate to State Convention. The roll being called the result was as follows:

Gaskill	19
Brooks	10

On motion of B L. Spence, the nomination of Mr. Gaskill was made unanimous.

On motion of Chas. King, Mr. Josiah Howard was elected alternate delegate to the State Convention by acclamation.

Chas. L. Butler moved the election of the following Congressional Conferees and alternates: H. W. Martindale, Dr. W. H. Ulsh, B. L. Spence, C. Jay Goodnough, Chas. Norton; alternates, D. Burlingame, A. S. Bailey, J. D. Swope, Harry Hemphill, W. L. Barclay, which was done by acclamation.

W. H. Howard, M. J. B. Brooks and T. F. Hudson, delegates to Senatorial Convention, and W. R. Sizer, M. Murphy and E. E. Swartwood were elected by acclamation.

The committee on resolutions requiring time for consultation the Convention took a recess for five minutes.

Upon re-convening the committee on resolutions reported the following which were unanimously adopted:

OUR PLATFORM.

Resolved, That it is with pride that we point to the statesmanlike administration of President McKinley, whose judicious, wise and firm stand for the honor of the Nation meets with the approval of a united country, who are ready and anxious to stand by him in any contingency.

Resolved, That the Republicans of Cameron county, in presenting the name of their fellow citizen and honored neighbor, Mr. B. W. Green, an honored member of the Cameron County Bar, for President Judge, do so with the best interest of the people at heart, believing that the high legal ability and standing of our candidate will rally to his support a strong following of representative men of all interests in this district. The Republicans of Cameron county in convention assembled heartily endorse his candidacy and hereby convey to him the authority to choose his own Conferees.

Resolved, That the almost unanimous choice of the great Northwest, as well as many other sections of the Keystone State, are emphatically in favor of the nomination of Hon. Charles W. Stone, of Warren county, for Governor. His brilliant career as Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Congressman, State Senator, as well as a private citizen, makes him a strong candidate before the Convention; a candidate who would unite all elements in the party and insure a brilliant victory at the polls, and a conservative administration of State affairs. We cordially endorse his candidacy and instruct the delegate this day elected to represent the Republicans of Cameron county in the State Convention, to use every honorable effort to secure his nomination.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the zealous labors of our efficient Congressman, Hon. Chas. W. Stone, and while we dislike to lose his valuable services from the Halls of Congress, yet we feel that he will be more valuable to the people as Governor. He can rely upon Cameron county in any emergency.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed for the purpose of adopting the "Crawford County System" for conducting Republican primaries in Cameron county; said committee to consist of one member from each election district in the county—the committee to be selected by the respective delegates in this convention. The committee thus appointed to present their report to the Chairman of the Republican County Committee, at least two weeks before the convening of the next County Convention and the same be published for the information of the Republican voters and presented to the next County Convention for their consideration.

Resolved, That we renew our fealty to the principles of the Republican party and pledge our hearty support to the ticket to be nominated at the forthcoming State, District and County Conventions.

JOHN J. HINKLE.
FRED A. HILL,
THOS. CONNELLY,
Committee.

The appointment of the committee to report to the next Convention upon the workings of the "Crawford County System" of conducting Primary Elections, the delegates made the following appointments:

Shippen, J. E. Rhodes; Portage, A. L. Ensign; West Ward, Chas. L. Butler; Middle Ward, Chas. Seger; East Ward, A. C. Blum; Lumber, Gordon Howlett; Gibson, V. A. Brooks; Driftwood, Dr. W. H. Ulsh; Grove, C. F. Barclay.

The Chairman appointed committees to wait upon the candidates elected at the Convention and invite them to meet the delegates. Mr. B. W. Green, the choice of Cameron county for President Judge, was introduced by the Chairman, and was received with applause and returned his thanks in an able manner. After the applause had subsided, he said:

Mr. Chairman, Delegates of this Convention, Fellow Citizens:—I would indeed be ungrateful if I did not express to you my sincere thanks for the high honor you have conferred upon me this day in placing my name in nomination for the responsible position of President Judge of this Judicial District. I do most earnestly thank you, and through you the Republican voters of Cameron county for the earnest support given to me during the somewhat exciting canvass that has just closed. I thank my worthy opponent and his warm supporters for the courteous treatment at all times extended to me during this period. In relation to my candidacy I can but reaffirm what has already been stated over my signature in the public press of this county. I am an earnest candidate for the nomination for this high office, if nominated by the district conference, for the election. If elected I pledge to you and the people of this district that I will perform the duties of this responsible position with fidelity and to the best of my ability. It will be my earnest endeavor to treat all persons equally. I have no enemies to punish or friends to reward. I most heartily endorse the great principles of the Republican party, and will at all times endeavor to further its interests. The action of this convention in endorsing our able, worthy and honest Representative, Hon. Charles W. Stone, of Warren, for Governor of this Commonwealth, meets with my hearty approval. I again thank you and your constituents for their support.

Mr. E. W. Gaskill and Mr. Josiah Howard, the delegate and alternate delegate to the State Convention returned their most sincere thanks for the honor conferred and pledged themselves to abide by the decision of the convention and labor for the nomination of Hon. C. W. Stone for Governor.

There being no further business before the Convention, Chairman Blum thanked the Convention for its courtesy and kindness to its officers, declared the Convention adjourned. Throughout the proceedings was very harmonious.

An Enjoyable Performance.

The "Old Southern Life" Company, will appear at the opera house, Monday, March 28th. The Lancaster *Era* says:

The "Old Southern Life" company, Welsh Bros'. theatrical organization, gave a performance at the Fountain Hill opera house, Saturday night, to a big audience, which greatly enjoyed the presentation. The performance consisted of the old time minstrelsy. Geo. B. Lowery and J. D. Jenking, favorite commedians, appeared to excellent advantage. Both are very droll in their actions and sayings and keep an audience in good humor without effort. George T Boyd, female impersonatar, Clemmie Harris, contortionist, Clarence Cissel, monologist, Johnson and Bernard, buck and wing dancers, and C P. Stitson, banjo and mandolin artist, made up the balance of the olio. The program closed with a farce entitled "Free Day in Dixie," in which scenes of merriment during the slavery days were depicted and buck and wing dances predominated. This company will close its theatrical season on April 6, and on April 16 will open its circus season at Lancaster with an entirely new show. The circus will be here during the summer season.

A Mammoth Stock.

N. Seger, the old pioneer clothier on Allegheny Avenue, celebrated his 31st business year in Emporium this week and desires to inform his old friends and customers in this section of the state that his new spring stock of clothing and furnishing goods are now ready for inspectian. He informs the PRESS that he has eclipsed all former efforts this spring and his stock is double the quantity he usually purchases—more than he formerly received for both stores. Having recently returned from the eastern cities where he paid cash for his goods, has no rent or clerk hire to pay, he is determined to give his customers the full benefit of the successful bargains he secured from the city manufacturers. Call and pay your respects to N. Seger.

Emmanuel Church.

The last quarterly offering for Diocean Missions will be called for next Sunday morning, March 27th. The entire amount for the year which this Parish is expected to raise, according to the schedule of the Missionary Committee, is $44.70. Of this amount $27.52 has been raised in three offerings already taken. The next offering next Sunday should be $17.18.

J. M. ROBERTSON, Rector.

McConnell—Cameron.

John McConnell and Miss Florence Cameron, two of Emporium's popular young people, were united in marriage at the Episcopal Rectory, Tuesday evening, by Rev. J. M. Robertson. The PRESS extends congratulations and wishes them a happy and prosperous future.

Easter Opening.

On Thursday and Friday, March 29, and 30th, I will display a selection of pattern Hats, also all the very latest novelties in Millinery Trimmings.

E. M. HURTEAU.

To the Farmers Who Are Milk Producers.

The following items were contributed by a wide-wake young farmer who honestly and conscientiously believed that it was to his interest to take care of the milk produced on his farm at home and not send it to the Creamery. All argument failed to change his views until he sat down in the quiet of his home, and like a good business man that he is, figured the cost on both sides. See the result, viz:

"For making butter from six cows, averaging 225 lbs per cow per year, the expenses are as follows:

For skimming, taking care of cream, removing specks, etc., that are bound to fall on cream where milk is set in pans—one hour per day for nine months equals four weeks, at $1.50 per week	$6 00
For churning three hours per week for nine months equals one week and three and one-half days at $1.50 per week	2 25
For working and packing the butter ready for market, taking one day per week for nine months equals five weeks at $1.50 per week,	7 50
For taking butter to town and delivering requires one man and team one half day per week for nine months, which equals eighteen days at $2.00 per day,	36 00
Total,	$51 75

This does not include salt, butter paper, crocks, wear and tear, nor occasional losses by poor accounts, nor time consumed in collecting good accounts. The wages too are figured at about one-third to one fourth less than the prevailing wages in this community.

At these figures, even after making these deductions, it costs me about four cents per pound to make butter. The Creamery makes and sells it for me at three and one-half cents per pound and gives me the cash at the end of every month without worry or trouble. By patronizing the Creamery I am the gainer of one half cent per pound in making, and by the difference in quantity obtained by the Separator over that of the pan creaming system I think I gain another one-half cent or more per pound.

The above figures are based on nine months of the year and I think it would be utterly impossible to hire it done at these prices.

If Creamery butter will average me sixteen and one-half cents per pound net, I think it is equal to twenty-two cents or more the old way. In addition the Creamery Company has the worry and my wife is relieved of one of the responsibilities which causes so many farmers wives no end of pain and misery.

Yours in Creamery success,"

FARMER.

It is needless for us to say that this young man will send his milk to the Creamery. We have figured the above at the generally paid prices and find that it costs four and eight-tenths cents per pound to make the butter at home, leaving out the same accessories that he does. If these could be estimated it would no doubt make five and one-half cents per pound. The only reason the Creamery can do this same work for less than it can be done for at home is that it is just as easy and costs no more to make one thousand pounds with improved machinery than it does to make ten pounds. Farmers read this over again and think abont it.

Pleasant Surprise.

Last Thursday evening a number of friends paid their respects to Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Hayes, at their cozy home on Fifth street. The call was purely a surprise yet the visitors was cordially received and entertained. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Butler, Mrs. Nellie McCabe, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Vogt, Mr. and Mrs. B. Egan, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Lindley Beattie, Miss Katie Bair and Mr. P. Burke, Mrs. M. and Miss Katie Burke, Mrs. Henry Auchu, Mrs. M. T. Hogan, Mrs. R. C. Dodson, Mrs. Thos. Butler, Miss Mame Butler, Mrs. Thos. and Miss Mame Cleary, Miss Mame McCabe, Miss Ella Newton, Miss Christie McDonald. After elegant refreshments were served the party passed an enjoyable evening and departed for their homes at a late hour greatly pleased with their reception and hospitable entertainment at the hands of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes. It is seldom that our friend is caught napping but this time he was taken completely off his feet.

Good Butter.

The best part of a meal is good butter.—Butter that can be enjoyed when eating. It is the flavor and quality, not quantity, that makes its worth in the markets of the world.

It is the flavor and quality that makes the boarders happy with the thought of a meal. Remember that our Emporium Creamery Butter has this flavor and quality and if used on bread made from Pillsburry's Best Flour you have a combination of flavor and quality that cannot be excelled. On sale at exceedingly low prices considering quality, at Day's.

For Sale.

Two pool tables, one billiard table and bowling alley for sale.

HAYES & HURTEAU,

For Sale.

I offer for sale at a bargain, one team of dark bay work horses, six years old. Also several driving horses. Will exchange horses for new milch cows.

51-tf. CHAS. FRY.

Painting Lessons.

Mrs. E. O. Bardwell is prepared to give lessons in painting to any who may wish such lessons, at very reasonable terms. 3-3t

The Maccabees.

Editor Press:—

Through the columns of the PRESS I want the people to read and consider what the Knights of the Maccabees have done in the short period of ten years in Emporium. They have paid for death benefits, $12,000; disability claims, $400; sick and distressed members, $1.000. It speaks well for Goodwill Tent. I should be pleased to meet any of our people and explain the workings of the Maccabees.

GEO. DICKINSON, Deputy.

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

The M. E. Conference closed its labors at Danville on Tuesday. Rev. Johnston, our readers will be pleased to learn, returns to Emporium for another year. The following appointments for this section will interest our readers: Hollidaysburg, E. E. A. Deavor; Bloomsburg, B. C. Connor; Harveyville, Jno. Vrooman; Harrisburg, Fifth street, J. W. Rue: Bedford, E. M. Stevens; Clearfield, W. H. Norcross; Huntingdon, First Church, R. H. Gilbert; Austin, A. S. Bowman; Benezette, A. C. Spencer; Cameron, E. E. Mulliner; Gardeau, F. G. Sleep; Sinnemahoning, M. C. Piper; Medix, M. M. Walker; Renovo, H. C. Pardoe; St. Marys, G. W. Faus; Cross Forks, G. M. Remley.

Funeral of Joseph Parsons.

We mentioned in our last issue the death of Mr. Jos. Parsons, father of our townsman, J. F. Parsons, who has returned from paying the last mark of respect to a kind parent. Mr. Parsons has received many kind expressions of sympathy from our citizens. The Lock Haven *Republican* says:

"Alderman Joseph Parsons, one of the oldest citizens of Lock Haven, died Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock at his residence on Water street. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Canfield and Mrs. Georgie Deitrick, and four sons, John F., of Emporium; William E., Edward K., and Charlas F., all of this city.

Deceased was born at Wolemsdorf, February 12th, 1817, and was consequently aged 81 years 1 month and 5 days.

He was engaged in his early life as superintendent and contractor in the construction of the state canals, in building dams and schutes. In 1863 or 64 he came to Lock Haven where he has since resided. He was a great student and a man of more than ordinary intelligence, well informed on current events as well as having a complete knowledge of general history.

Alderman Parsons was highly esteemed by all who knew him. At the time of his death he was serving his fifth consecutive term as Alderman of the Second ward.

Rev. J. E. Wright, D. D., conducted the funeral services over the remains of Alderman Joseph Parsons on Saturday afternoon. A large number of friends were present and many followed the remains to the cemetery. Mrs. Ubil, Mrs. Lichtenthaler, Mr. J. D. Ubil and Mr. H. B. Geary sang appropriate selections. The Masonic fraternity had charge of the funeral, and the pall bearers were J. W. Harris, M. B. Herring, W. H. Brown, R. W. A. Jamison, J. F. Kidd and W.B. Hanna."

"Ye Deestreect Skewl from Huckelberry Korners," wil keep in ye Opera House, Saturday March 26, Ann. Dom. MDCCCXCVIII. Skewl begins at erly kandle lite or 8 on yer klocks.

KOMITY MEN.

Mr. Perkins,	Mr. Howard
Mr. Billaker,	Mr. Metzger
John Smith,	Dr. Reick

APLIKANTS.

Miss Dashway,	Miss Bonham
Miss Sharp,	Miss Larrabee
Sallie Simple,	Miss Cush
Mehitable Pendergrass,	Miss Bock

SKOLARS.

Matilda Billings,	Miss Helen Brown
Faithful Snooks,	Miss Larrabee
Samantha Piper,	Miss McCrea
Ruth Ketchum,	Mrs. Swain
Susan Crowfoot,	Miss Belle Robinson
Sally Brown,	Mrs. Mankey
Dorcas Doolittle,	Miss Edna Warner
Jerusha Dickson,	Miss Bair
Clorinda Geyser,	Miss Robinson
Luther Brown,	Mr. Will Bair
David Snobs,	Mr. Chas. Rishell
Billy Crowfoot,	Mr. Schweikart
Obadiah Buzzard,	Mr. Felt
Stephen Tucker,	Mr. Olmsted
Jeremiah Jerkins,	Dr. Heilman
Bobby O'Lee,	Mr. Egan
Sammy Snooks,	Mr. Geo. Johnston
Sim Dipsy,	Mr. Haupt
Hezekiah Jones,	Mr. Goodnough

Between ye scenes there will be performans' on stringed instruments by such as kan pla tunes also a peformans by ye little fokes.

Reserved seat board for "ye Deestreect Skewl" will be open Friday morning at Lloyd's book store.

The Convention's Work.

The Republican County Convention, last Tuesday, faithfully carried out the wishes of their constituents as expressed at the primaries last Saturday. The proceedings were very harmonious and the work of the Convention meets with the approbation of the Republican voters of the county, as well as a large following of influential democrats, The unanimous endorsement of the candidacy of Mr. B. W. Green, of Emporium, after a hotly contested canvass, is a very flattering compliment to that gentleman, who feelingly expressed his thanks to his friends and especially thanked his greatly respected and honored opponent, Hon J. C. Johnson, for the courtesy extended him during the canvass for the nomination. That Mr. Green will receive the nomination at the hands of the district convention there is little, if any doubt. His high legal ability, sound judgement, and just, fair and honorable course as a citizen and lawyer eminently fits him for the responsible and honorable position of President Judge of this 25th district. Mr. Green is in the prime of life, is energetic and faithful in the discharge of any duty imposed upon him; he would take to the bench young blood—learned in law, just to the people—fair to all.

We hope the Democrats of the district will be fair with the Republicans and endorse Mr. Green's candidacy. Ten years ago we endorsed the candidacy of Hon. C. A. Mayer, now closing his 30th year upon the bench, and it was presumed that at his advanced age he would not ask a re-election at the hands of the people. We believe emphatically in freeing the bench from political dictation and that the candidacy and election of Mr. Green is and would be satisfactory to a majority of the voters of this district.

Don't Read.

Lot of odd frames and easles, all sizes at your own price. Must be sold this week to make room for new goods.

J B. SCHRIEVER.

Pure Bred.

Cornish Indian Game, Golden Wyandottes and S. C. Brown Leghorns' eggs $1.00 for fifteen.

I. F. OSTRUM.

Emporium, Pa.—2-3m

Pressed Bricks.

Early vegetables and garden sauce at Day's.

"Ye Deestreect Skewl" Saturday, March 26th.

A new lot of trunks and valises just received at Soble's.

All the latest styles in shoes at Soble's both black and russet.

Do you need a new shirt? If so, call at Soble's. A new line of shirts just opened.

Secure your tickets for "Ye Destreect Skewl" early. Prices, Adults, 25 and 35c; children, 15 and 25c.

Have you looked over John J. Soble's new line of Spring hats? If not, it will pay you to do so before buying.

Lot of picture frames, odd sizes, former price from 50c. to $1.00, now your choice for 10c., until all are gone.

J. B. SCHRIEVER.

D. E. Olmsted, near Odd Fellows' Hall, has just received an invoice of Spring goods, newest styles, and at prices to suit the times.

Miss Raymond has been in the city purchasing her spring stock. Will have her millinery, silks, dress trimmings, laces, etc., ready to show you before Easter.

Prepare for a hearty laugh at Sim Dipsy, the bad boy; Luther Brown, the four year old; Samantha Piper, the giggler, and others at "Ye Deestreect Swewl." Admission, 15, 25, and 35 cents.

The McInnes Steel Works, despite the fact of the lack of a roof on their new plant, turned out their first piece of steel under the new management yesterday. A delay in the shipment has kept them out of a roof, but all the machinery is in good working order.

A union memorial service of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches was held in the Baptist church last Sunday evening, in commemoration of the late Miss Francis E. Willard and General Neal Dow. Addresses were made by Rev. Robt. McCaslin, Mrs. M. M. Larrabee and Rev. W. R. McNeil, with several beautiful and appropriate selections by the choir.

A break in the gas line, near Glen Hazel, yesterday, has caused a great annoyance and inconvenience to our people. The break will not be repaired to-day, we fear, and our people should make preparations to heat their homes by other agencies than gas. High water caused the break in the line. Oh, but this is pleasant! Everybody you meet is exceedinginly good natured.

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Obituary notices over five lines, 10 cents per line. Simple announcements of births, marriages and deaths will be inserted free.

Business cards, five lines or less, $5 per year; over five lines, at the regular rates of advertising.

No local inserted for less than 75 cents per issue.

JOB PRINTING.

The Job department of the PRESS is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work. PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO LAW PRINTING.

No paper will be discontinued ntil arrearages are paid, except at the option of the publisher.

Papers sent out of the county must be paid for in advance.

A Frenchman who ran away from his adversary in a duel is certified by his physician to have been suffering from tachypodia. It sounds better than "quickfoot," just as kleptomania is preferred to the commoner word.

A car load of Illinois eggs passed through a railroad wreck the other day without having a single shell disrupted. This variety of non-explosive and armor-clad poultry product must be intended for the exigencies of the naval service.

A French paper makes much of the idea that "the American army has yet to be brought into existence." The editor, unfamiliar with the history of the American volunteer, should be restrained from shedding ink about this country.

"Now that the government has decided to abandon the Klondike relief expedition what is to be done with the 537 reindeer, 418 sleds and the 133 Lapp, Finn and Norwegian immigrants?" asks an exchange. Well, the reindeer and sleds will come handy at Christmas, and the Lapps and Fins can settle down and go to work, or sail back, as they desire.

An ordinary western county seat contest is bad enough, but Oklahoma now proposes to convulse the civilized world with a mad scramble for the territorial capital, in which four cities stand ready to shoot as they vote. Most of the rivers down there are naturally red, so that the presence of artificial carnage can only be detected by an abnormal blueness in the atmosphere and the clash of rival knives against opposing ribs.

Seven years ago William Rodgers, a convict serving a 30-year sentence in the penitentiary at San Quentin, Cal., was told by Lieut. McLean, of the force of guards, to stop talking and attend to his work. The prisoner replied: "I'll not talk any more. He kept his word until the other day, when he was informed that McLean had left the prison. Then Rodgers broke his silence of seven years by remarking that his vow was off and he now converses freely with his fellow convicts.

The work of the Christian Endeavor societies extends almost all over the world. According to official returns this sixteenth year of the organization has been one of the best on record. The movement includes besides the United States, the parent country, Great Britain, Germany, India, Burmah, Ceylon, South Africa, Scandinavia, Switzerland and several other European countries newly listed in the work. The world's international convention will be held at Paris in 1900.

"Private" John Allen, of Mississippi, is a total abstainer. He is now serving his seventh term in the national house of representatives and he gives this characteristic reason why he never touches liquor: "Of course, if I drank any at all I should have to indulge while stumping my district. Now, you just think what would happen to me if, while on a stumping tour, I should take a few drinks and then attempt to say: 'Fellow citizens of Itawamba, or Oktibbha or Tishomingo county.' My finish can be easily imagined."

The British government has awarded a contract to the Carnegie company for 5,000 tons of armor plate for its war vessels. This is a triumph for the United States. Orders for all sorts of iron and steel for private persons in England have often been filled in this country, but this is the first time that the British government has come here for any of them. Exports of nearly all sorts of manufactures from the United States have been largely on the increase in the past year or two. Uncle Sam is fitting up a great workshop for the whole world.

The Chinese question has been definitely settled at Baltimore. A Chinaman wanted to marry a negress, and it at once became of paramount importance to decide whether he was white or colored. If white, the law against miscegenation applied to the union; if colored, no objection could be raised. The negroes decided positively that he was not one of them and the white people were equally certain that he should not be classed with them. Thereupon he was put down as "yellow," and, of course, a "yellow" man was privileged to marry whom he chose.

Arizona is looming up as an orange-growing state. The oranges ripen earlier than in California, and those produced have a fine, rich flavor like the Florida oranges. Eight hundred acres have been planted, and now there are 500 acres of bearing trees.

ONE RESULT OF FREE COINAGE.

The Sixteen to One Policy Would Bankrupt the Nation.

Ever since the national government was established individuals who have suffered property losses by reason of the acts of its agents have been applying to congress for relief. Their claims have been pressed by congressmen and by lobbyists. An enormous amount of money has been paid out in a hundred years on account of private claims, a large percentage of which, it may be stated, were exaggerated or fraudulent.

So successful have these claimants been that every man who can make out a shadow of a case against the general government makes application for relief, confident that if he keeps at it long enough he will be sure to obtain redress. He expects his representative to take up his case and work for him. If that representative seems to take no interest in the matter, then the claimant and all his relatives and friends began on him.

Suppose congress were to change and debase the money standard in the manner demanded by the Chicago platform, thus enabling those who owe gold value money to force on their creditors dollars whose actual value, as measured by the old standard, would be less than half face value, then millions of men and women would be damaged directly to the amount of billions of dollars.

The indirect damage need not be considered, enormous though they would be. But there would be a direct pecuniary loss falling on depositors in savings and commercial banks, on persons who had sold real or personal property on time or who had loaned money in any way, and on all beneficiaries of life insurance policies. Each of these would be deprived by the act of the government of a portion of his property.

The first act of these sufferers would be to apply to congress for relief. Among these applicants would be many men who voted for the congressmen who changed the money standard and thus deprived so many citizens of their property. They would be sorry for what they had done when they felt the effects of the policy they had ignorantly indorsed.

There would be so many of these claims that it would be impossible to introduce a separate bill in each case. It would be necessary to lump the cases. There would be bills "to indemnify bank depositors for losses sustained by reason of the change of monetary standard," to indemnify mortgage holders, and bondholders, and life insurance policy holders.

The persons in whose behalf these different bills were introduced would not ask for a restoration of the gold standard. They would simply ask congress to appropriate enough cheap money to pay them for the property they had been deprived of by the change of standards.

A single claimant sometimes nearly drives a congressman wild. It is easy to imagine what the state of mind of representatives and senators would be when each of them had several thousand men at his heels begging for the passage of relief bills and threatening vengeance at the polls if the matter was not attended to quickly.

What would the free silver democrats in congress do? What would free silver democrats outside of congress advise them to do? Many of those congressmen would feel that it was hardly safe for them to return to their districts if indemnity measures were not adopted.

But to settle all these claims would call for appropriations amounting to many billions. If the losses footed up $8,000,000,000 in gold value money, then it would be necessary to appropriate $16,000,000,000 in cheap silver dollars to cover the losses. That sum would have to be obtained by the sale of cheap silver "relief" bonds, and the taxes would have to be increased considerably to raise the money with which to pay the interest on them.

So if the free silver democrats were to come into power and carry out their "sixteen to one" policy their representatives in congress would straightway find themselves in a pretty pickle. They would be besieged by legions of men claiming compensation from the government for damages inflicted by it. On the other hand, the magnitude of those damages, which could be made good only by selling vast quantities of bonds "in time of peace," and taxing the entire community heavily to pay the interest on them, would appall congressmen. Those senators and representatives who voted for free silver "with a light heart" would feel differently after the damage claims were pressed on them.—Chicago Tribune.

☞The Dingley tariff law during February produced a revenue of more than a million dollars a day. For the first seven months of its operation the total customs receipts were $175,818,781, against $159,203,038 for the same period of the Wilson law, a gain of $15,615,743 for the Dingley statute. And the latter had to contend with warehouses packed with imported goods in anticipation of increased duties. February shows a surplus, $1,845,358, for the first time since Mr. Cleveland and his "wild team" were running things at Washington. Republican legislation is the kind that meets public needs and does away with deficits.—Troy Times.

☞Croker has turned down silverism, and Hill and Gorman did this long ago. These men are a power in their respective states. They know the direction of the political currents. On this issue they undoubtedly voice the view of an overwhelming majority of the democracy in their locality. Their attitude, however, should not be misunderstood. The fact that silverism is dishonest is not the reason they are against it. They are against it because they know it will bring swift and certain defeat to any party which champions it.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

AN IDEAL PRESIDENT.

Widespread Confidence in President McKinley.

The admirable address of President McKinley on the character of Washington has elicited from thoughtful men of both parties hearty expressions of thankfulness that the executive responsibility now rests on the shoulders of a man so resembling the first chief magistrate in many traits. Ex-President Harrison has just borne testimony to the profound confidence which President McKinley has inspired by his conduct thus far. There is no posing for effect, no sensationalism, no feverish haste to decide, lest those not charged with grave responsibility should think him too slow, but also no lack of care and thoroughness in preparation, or of decision and promptness in action when the proper time has come. It is with a deep sense of relief that the country finds its gravest interests in the hands of a man of singular calmness and self-command, not flurried by most exciting events, able to set the country a grand example of patience, deliberation and scrupulous justice, and at the same time preparing with singular energy for any course which the occasion may require.

President McKinley clearly realizes that the way to preserve peace is to make ready for war. If any event whatever compels the nation to repel attack or wrong, it seems that the executive will not be found unready, within the limits of possible preparation fixed by congressional failures. Congress also begins to act rather than talk, and the passage of the bill to raise two artillery regiments for service in coast fortifications is an important though belated step. The men ought to be drilled already. The senate's increase of appropriations for defense should lead the house, not lacking in patriotic vigor and promptness of action in many other cases to revise its course. With something done, much remains to be done. Less than a third of the guns and their emplacements asked for by the board on fortifications has yet been provided by congress. The first great 16-inch gun is completed out of 32 deemed necessary. Congress has appropriated in all less than $10,000,000 for completion up to July of 24 12-inch guns out of 200 required; 82 ten-inch out of 180 required, 33 eight-inch out of 100 required, 16 heavy rapid-fire out of 250 required, and 232 12-inch mortars out of 1,032 required. Unless congress is prepared to take the responsibility of differing from the board as to requirements for national defense, the work of preparation should not be limited any longer by want of money.

One or two senators have expressed doubt whether more money should be spent for powerful battleships. The statement of Capt. Mahan as to the necessity and safety of this arm of the nation's defense is worthy of the highest weight. But respecting all the details of preparation for national safety, it is only fair to say that congress should be largely guided by information obtained from the executive departments. Much of that information ought not to be made public. But the country knows that the executive responsibility is under the personal charge of President McKinley. He is the active and controlling head of the state and navy and every other department, and the country has in him such strong confidence that it will not fail to sustain congress in authorizing the expenditures which he deliberately pronounces necessary for public defense. A calm, cool man, swayed by no excitement or passion and resolutely facing every emergency, is a man upon whose judgment congress and the country may safely rely.—N. Y. Tribune.

PRESS OPINIONS.

☞February receipts at the treasury department have averaged over a million dollars a day under the new revenue law, thus fulfilling the pledges made by its framers that it would produce sufficient money to meet the running expenses of the government, which averages only a million dollars a day, taking one month with another, the year around.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

☞Once upon a time the democrats were greatly worried over the surplus revenue. A surplus reappeared last month, but no party is likely to view it with alarm.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

☞One fact stands out in bold relief at the present time. The entire nation approves of the course of President McKinley, and has unlimited confidence in his coolness and his wisdom.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

☞During the first year of President McKinley's administration the deficit, exclusive of the Pacific railroad receipts, has been reduced more than one-half. All of it will be wiped out now that we are in good working order under the new tariff. Bear in mind that a year ago the Dingley law was still almost six months from its passage. It is really remarkable how well that law has been straightening out our finances.—Iowa State Register.

Gold's Circuit of the Globe.

"A million dollars gold from Japan en route to the subtreasury in New York detained for eight hours at Cedar Rapids, Ia." This very metal like as not originated in California, crossed the continent in the form of double eagles, was shipped to London and converted into sovereigns, went perhaps to France, and, after circulating for a time in the shape of 20-franc pieces, was sent to Japan in payment for silks, and, completing the circuit of the earth, comes back to us in payment for cotton. The ceaseless ebb and flow of gold round the globe in settlement of trade balances proves that independent of all statutes it is by natural laws the money of the civilized nations. When one reflects on the heavy expense of transportation and the great loss from attrition, however, it is surprising that in this age of peace and international trade relations there has not been established a world's clearing house.—N. Y. Herald

WAS MINED BY WEYLER.

Startling Statement Made by Correspondent Laine.

He Claims to Have an Authentic Copy of a Letter Written by the Ex-Captain General in Which the Maine Disaster is Foreshadowed.

New York, March 18.—The New York Journal prints a statement written by Honore F. Laine, the newspaper correspondent recently arrested and searched by Spanish officials in Cabanas prison, Havana, and later expelled from the island. This is the opening of Laine's statement:

"On January 24, at 10 p. m., I met in the cafe Inglaterra, the headquarters of the reporters in Havana, Francisco Diaz, a reporter of the rabid Spanish newspaper, La Union Constitucional, with whom I frequently exchanged news.

"On asking him if he had anything to give me, he took from his pocket a letter and gave it to me, saying: 'Weyler wrote this letter to Santos Guzman, who sent it to Nove (the editor of the Union Constitucional) for him to read and write an article on the acceptance by Weyler of the candidacy of deputy to the cortes for Havana. I took this copy, which you can keep.'"

The following is the alleged letter referred to above:

His Excellency, Don Francisco De Los Santos Guzman:

My distinguished personal and political friend: Since the latest events I have changed my views about the attitude which our political party in Cuba ought to assume. If I have thought before that it was more dignified for us to abstain from the electoral contest, I believe now that it is a patriotic duty for us to go to the polls. Our success cannot be doubted, nor that with a programme of defense of the national honor, we will have side by side with us all those lukewarm politicians who, though Spaniards at heart, are deceived by the inside combinations of Moret and Sagasta and take as scientific solutions of our colonial problems what are really dishonorable humiliations of our country before the United States.

Write on your flag, the flag of Spain, "Defense of National Honor," and I offer you my name as your candidate. After having commanded during two years 200,000 Spanish heroes in Cuba, I shall be more proud of the title of deputy from Havana to the cortes of Spain. By the way, I have read these days that the Americans are pondering about sending one of their warships to that city. During my command in Cuba they did not even dare to dream about it. They knew the terrible punishment that awaited them. I had Havana harbor well prepared for such an emergency. I rapidly finished the work that Martinez Campos carelessly abandoned.

If the insult is made I hope that there will be a Spanish hand to punish it as terribly as it deserves VALERIANO WEYLER.

Madrid, January 8, 1898.

Laine says that he read the letter and pigeonholed it. When the Maine disaster occurred, he called at the office of the Union Constitucional to see Diaz, in an effort to secure the original of the letter. Some days after the Maine explosion Laine met Diaz, who asked him if he remembered the letter and what its contents were about an American warship. Laine replied that he did, and that he believed some one had followed Weyler's advice. Laine says that he has since found out that Diaz informed the chief of police that he (Laine) had a copy of a letter written by Weyler which might bring trouble to the Spanish government, especially as he was an American newspaper correspondent who was associating with Capt. Sigsbee.

On March 4, Laine was arrested by Col. Paglieri, chief of police of Havana. His friends were informed of his being imprisoned by a cabman who knew him. According to Laine, Chief Paglieri said: "Well, sir, we have you here secured, and let me tell you that the secret that I know you possess will never be known through you by others, as no one will ever know what becomes of you."

Laine replied: "If you think that you can murder me as were Ariza and Posasa, the two young men who were taken from here and killed in the Cerro, you are mistaken."

The colonel replied: "No, sir: I am not mistaken."

"You may not be mistaken," said Laine, "but I can tell you that at this moment the French as well as the American consul have been notified that I am here."

This changed the chief's attitude somewhat, but he persisted in trying to secure information from Laine.

"I know," he said, "all about a copy of a letter of Gen. Weyler which you have, and the trouble you intend to cause with it, but I do not care very much about that. What I want to know now is, what information you gave to Consul Lee on February 21 about your suspicions of a plot suggested by that letter and the placing of dynamite mines in the harbor, with which fact you said you became acquainted during your incarceration in the time of Weyler?"

"This was really a surprise to me," Laine's narrative continues. "I had referred to the letter to Gen. Lee and had also spoken to him about what I had seen during my imprisonment in the Cabanas fortress, which lasted for more than a year, during the most bloody period of the reign of Weyler.

"My investigations during my imprisonment were carried on as far as a political prisoner could in a Spanish fortress, but it was sufficient for me to ascertain with certainty that the quantity of dynamite placed in the harbor in different places was two tons, and that the wires of the mines were connected with the Cabanas fortress and the marine headquarters."

The Correspondents are Not Wanted.

Havana, March 18.—The question of the expulsion of several American correspondents who are very obnoxious to the authorities is again being considered, now that the court of inquiry has left Havana. Clippings from the papers they represent have been inclosed with Spanish translations to the palace officials, accompanied by demands for their instant deportation. It really seems as if now for the first time the probability of an open breach with the United States is being seriously considered in Spanish official circles in Cuba.

COMPLETELY DISCOURAGED.

Are Thousands of People Who Have Chronic Catarrh.

As a result of our changeable climate catarrh has become one of the most prevalent and universal diseases known to man. Nearly one-third of the people of the United States are afflicted with catarrh in some of its many phases or stages. Add to this fact that catarrh rapidly tends to become fixed or chronic; also the further fact that it is capable of producing a great many other diseases, and we begin to realize the true nature of this dread disease. So formidable has catarrh become that in every city or town of any size numerous doctors are to be found who make the treatment of catarrh a specialty. Mr. Ralph W. Chulip, La Porte, Ind., in a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, says: "I have been troubled with catarrh for the past eight years. I was so bad I had to quit work, and was so weak and dizzy that I sometimes staggered when I walked. I was completely discouraged. After I had taken two bottles of Pe-ru-na I began work again and have not felt better in ten years. I feel so grateful that it seems as though I could never stop talking in praise of the medicine."

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JUST MARRIED.

How "Hubby" Orders His Supplies Through the Telephone.

When a young man marries and opens up a home one of his chief anxieties is to appear master of the situation and as much like a veteran as possible. Blueton, who would be widely known by his real name, is a new benedict and just settled. Here is a sample selected from his almost continuous conversation at the telephone:

"Send me up a pound of carpet tacks. Number? I don't know anything about the number of tacks in a pound. All you've got to do is to fill my order. And, say, send me half a peck of nails. Tenpennys? I'm not asking the price, am I? Yes, half a peck; that's what I said. Now I want a saw. Don't you know your business? This is a private residence—Mr. Blueton's residence. It's no lumber mill. I don't want any buzz saw or gang saw, just a regular house saw. Throw in a hammer and a hatchet and a stepladder. And say, I want a good strong stove leg. We broke one in moving. None of your business who made the stove. All you've got to do is to send up the leg."

After swearing for a few minutes Blueton was rattling away at the grocery:

"Three pounds of steak. What kind? Beefsteak, of course. We're not eating horsesteak or sheep steak at our house. Three yards of sausage. Never mind, now, how other people buy it. I always buy by the yard. A gallon of coffee, two dozen frying onions, half a bushel of oranges—yes, half a bushel. Now, whose make of canned goods do you handle? All right, send us a couple of cases of selected, a quarter of a section of cheese, half a bale of lettuce, two of those cigar-shaped loaves of bread, a pail of butter and a sack of sugar. Yes, just a regulation sack, you know. And, hold on, put in a basket of eggs. Good-by."—Detroit Free Press.

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN'S REPORT.

National Assembly 1898.

"A copy of the resolutions of the League of American Wheelmen, together with a separately typewritten letter, were sent to each one of upwards of 1,100 different persons, comprising manufacturers, dealers, etc., within the United States, and each of these letters, after setting forth the work and objects of the league, invited a subscription of any sum which might be afforded to aid this general work in which the league was engaged. The maximum limit of any subscription was placed at $100, and notice was given with each letter that no greater sum would be received from any person, firm or corporation. But one subscription was received. It came from Col. Albert A. Pope, of Boston, whose munificent and open-handed work for road improvement has placed him conspicuously alone among the manufacturers of the world, and whose constant and consistent efforts for better roads have not only marked his generous and broad-minded disposition, but have proved him to be a coadjutor to whom and to whose work wheelmen of the United States must ever yield homage."

Selfish.

Brown—You owe as much as that! I don't understand how you can get so far behind. Now as for me, it is always a pleasure to pay off a debt.

Black—Sort o' selfish in you to give way to such indulgence, isn't it? I can truly say that I never feel that way.—Boston Transcript.

Nothing feels quite as good as an excellent bed when one is awfully tired.—Washington Democrat.

"I'd rather," said the actor, "that you would devote fewer of your stories to my personal traits and adventures and more of them to my acting." "Billy, my boy," said the press agent, with the easy familiarity of a man with an ironclad contract, "it is your acting that I am trying to draw the public's attention away from."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"A beautiful face is like a beautiful flower, it feeds our enthusiasm, stimulates human courage, and makes all things possible to man." Michael Angelo wrote: "The might of one fair face sublimes my love." "Talent develops itself in solitude, character in the stream of life."—Goethe.

We make unlovely all our every days by the little soul we put into our efforts, by the way in which duties push us forward, by lack of that electric something which makes all word, all deed, quiver and glow.—J. F. W. Ware.

What May Happen.—Congressman Dennis (ten years hence)—"Mr. Speaker, I desire to present a bill granting a pension to Mr. Fake Scribbler, ex-editor of the Hullabaloo, whose health was ruined by the excitement consequent upon waging in his columns the late war against Spain." — Philadelphia North American.

"I like not only to be loved, but to be told that I am loved; the realm of silence is large enough beyond the grave."—George Eliot.

Warned in Time. — Minnie — "Gracious me! Here is a letter from some eastern firm offering to send me a dozen cabinet photographs of myself free if I will send them my picture." Mamie—"Don't you send it, dear. Most likely they are in the comic-supplement business."—Indianapolis Journal.

Some men enjoy nothing much better than being a pall bearer.—Washington Democrat.

No woman has pretty hands without knowing it.—Washington Democrat.

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WHITE HOUSE DINNERS.

They Are Magnificent, Elaborate and Perfect Functions.

Description of a State Dinner Given by the President to the Diplomats Residing at Washington.

[Special Washington Letter.]

There will be no more diplomatic dinners at the white house during this season. The social customs of nations are amusing and ridiculous to men who do not believe in any sort of temperance.

During the next eight or nine months the president of the United States will probably be able to maintain friendly relations with the diplomatic representatives of foreign nations in this city without giving them meat and drink. During each winter season, however, it is expected that the president shall give a series of dinners, which are served after dark, where food of the most costly kind in great abundance is served and washed down with gallons of champagne and other wines.

The diplomatic dinners at the white house have made trouble on more than one occasion. A familiar instance was that of the British minister Merry, who made a great row because some other lady was taken in to the table by Thomas Jefferson before Mrs. Merry. During the Garfield administration Mrs. Blaine actually left the president's board in anger because she had not the place to which she considered herself entitled. The plan adopted of making the order of precedence among the diplomats depend simply on length of service here is an admirable solution of the problem on the whole.

The various ambassadors and ministers located in Washington give dinners to the secretary of state and the assistant secretary. They also entertain our senators and representatives in a similar manner. The president gives receptions and dinners to the members of the supreme court and to the senators and representatives during the entire ante-Lenten season.

At the diplomatic dinner at the white house the British ambassador is given the seat of honor because he is regarded as the dean of the diplomatic corps, on account of his seniority of rank by continuous service at this capital. The president offers his arm to the wife of the British ambassador and leads the way to the dining-room, followed by the diplomats and the ladies of their families. The president stands beside his seat in the middle of one side of the long table, and remains standing, until all of the ladies and gentlemen have found their way to their respective places. All then take their seats and the banquet begins.

When the guests arrive at the white house they are escorted upstairs, the gentlemen going to the library and the ladies to one of the larger bedrooms in order to remove their wraps. Presently they go down to the large east room, where the president and his wife are found awaiting to receive them. Promptly at eight o'clock the steward of the white house opens the door of the state dining-room and bows to the president, who thereupon leads the procession to the table.

Before going downstairs to dinner each one of the gentlemen finds on a table in the library an envelope addressed to himself, unsealed, with the American eagle in gold stamped on the envelope. Within the envelope each gentleman discovers a card with beveled and gilded edges, bearing the name of the lady whom he is to take in to dinner. On the back of the card is a diagram of the table with the seats numbered. Two numbers are struck out

SIR JULIAN PAUNCEFOTE.
(British Ambassador to the the United States.)

with a pen, thus indicating to the gentleman receiving the card where he and his partner for the evening are to sit at the table. Thus it is practically impossible for any error to be made in seating the guests at these big banquets.

The last president's reception was indefinitely postponed because of the sinking of the battle ship Maine, whereby so many of our sailors lost their lives. That dreadful catastrophe shocked the civilzed world, and it caused thrills of horror in this city. There was such a spontaneous burst of sentiment that even society quailed before it, and all social affairs were brought to a sudden termination. Thus it happened that the social rounds were stopped at the white house; and, now that Lent is here, they will not be resumed during the present season.

It is not generally known that it is the duty of the president to accept an invitation to dine with an ambassador, but that it is beneath his dignity to dine with a minister plenipotentiary. Ambassadors are the incarnation of their sovereigns. The British ambassador represents Queen Victoria, and for that reason he may personally call upon the president on official business at the white house. But the minister from Turkey or from China cannot call thus upon the president. On the contrary, he ministers must transact all of their diplomatic business with our department of state. The ambassadors outrank all other diplomats.

In like manner, Ambassador Hay may have audience with Queen Victoria, instead of depending upon the British foreign office for consideration. Mr. Hay, as our ambassador to Great Britain, represents the president of this republic. When Mr. Bayard was our minister, before the ambassadorship was created, he could not have audience with the queen; but as soon as he had been promoted to be an ambassador he became a greater personage.

It may be well to remember that all of our ambassadors to foreign countries are men of superior ability and sagacity. The same may be said of the ambassadors who are sent by foreign countries to this capital. In all emergencies an ambassador must represent the head of his nation. Therefore it is necessary that each ambassador should possess intellectual ability and educational acquirements which are practically equal to those of the sovereign or president at the head of his government.

A case in point concerning ministers occurred recently. The Spanish minister to this country, Senor De Lome, committed a grave breach of courtesy. He was invited to the department of state to make an explanation or an apology. He did not respond, but left this country without delay. He could not have gone to see our president about the matter, because only an ambassador has that privilege, while a

MR. WU TING FANG.
(Chinese Minister to the United States.)

minister has not. Consequently, without making any explanation or apology for his cowardly and treacherous conduct, he hastily packed his household effects and miserably sneaked out of our national capital. While here he had been honored with the respect of the administration. With typical Spanish cunning and cowardice he bowed low, smiled and demeaned himself as one who sought the friendship of this country and who appreciated the leniency of our nation. At the same time he was writing insolent and coarse allusions to our president in his official communications, as well as to his personal friends in Spain.

But to return to the white house dinners. They are paid for out of the contingent fund which congress supplies. When state dinners are given the president and his guests sit at table about 2½ hours. They have their trained waiters slowly changing their dishes and rapidly filling their glasses. There is a waiter for every one present, and constant attention is paid by these sable servitors. For 2½ hours they eat, drink and talk. There are no toasts for the state dinners are not banquets. But they talk on all sorts of topics, just as your neighbors will talk informally when you have them to dinner in your home. When they are finally through with this long feeding and drinking they get into cabs and carriages, drive to their homes, go to bed and sleep off the effects of their gormandizing. That is the plain and wholesome truth of the matter.

These state dinners are gorgeous affairs. The table service of the white house would do credit to any monarch. Between the president and his wife, in the center of the table, is a great big golden vase, filled with the rarest of flowers. Candelabra of gold and silver make radiant the brilliantly gilded and decorated room. There are scores of wax candles, and there are hundreds of little bits of electric lights, half hidden with foliage. The forks, knives and spoons are pure gold and pure silver. The china ware is of the most costly character, and all of it is hand painted. So you see, when our president enteretains, these important personages he does it in royal style.

Now, whether our presidents enjoy this sort of thing or not, is a question which cannot be determined. If any president does not enjoy such social functions, it would be inexceeding bad taste for him to say so. Afterwards his guests would feel different, and some of them might even decline invitations. Ex-presidents are also reticent. It is well.

Whether this sort of procedure is right or not, is another question. The custom of social and costly entertainment is very ancient. Away back in Biblical times, we read of social interchanges of costly courtesies. It is recorded that the queen of Sheba traveled many miles, bringing tokens of admiration to the court of King Solomon. The royal lady was superbly entertained.

In the early days of our republic the white house entertainments were very simple, but they have increased in brilliancy and costliness, as the nation has increased in population and in wealth. Whether these state dinners are right or wrong, since it seems to be necessary to keep up the custom, we may at least take pride in the fact that our president does the grand act with as much magnificence as a king or emperor.

SMITH D. FRY.

In Philadelphia.

Mother—What is the matter, my dear?

Married Daughter (in tears)—Charles has become so irregular in his habits! He went out after dinner and didn't come home last night until nine o'clock. —N. Y. World.

Disagreeable for All.

Gowper—I don't know how it is, but wherever I go there is sure to be something disagreeable.

Stickin—And wherever you go that's just what everybody else says.—Boston Transcrip

POWDERLY IS CONFIRMED.

The Senate Ratifies His Appointment as Commissioner of Immigration — Mr. Hanna Denies that There Was a Bargain Made in '96.

Washington, March 17.—T. V. Powderly was confirmed by the senate in executive session yesterday by a vote of 43 to 20. Senator Chandler was the only republican who cast his vote against confirmation, while a large number of democrats voted for him. The vote was preceded by a sharp debate in which the question whether Mr. Powderly had made a trade with the republicans in the last campaign was discussed. Senators Teller and Stewart attacked Mr. Powderly's record on the financial question and Senator Stewart read a letter from Mr. Powderly written during the campaign of 1892 in which he had declared his adherence to the cause of bimetallism, and denounced those of the labor element who had aligned themselves on the republican side as rendering themselves liable to the charge of being made the subjects of bribery. Mr. Stewart contended that Powderly had placed himself in the same catogory in which he had previously sought to place others, by his course in the campaign of 1896.

Senator Hanna made a brief speech in which he asserted that Mr. Powderly's support of the republican ticket in the late campaign was not the result of any collusion or bargain. "Mr. Powderly," he said, "came to us without any solicitation on our part. We did not go after him and we did not promise him anything."

Furthermore, he said, he was not originally a supporter of Powderly for the position of commissioner of immigration, having another candidate for the office. This fact ought to be sufficient evidence, Mr. Hanna thought, to convince the most skeptical that there had been no bargain that Mr. Powderly should have the office as the result of his services in the campaign.

Mr. Chandler made another speech in opposition, reading protests from labor organizations, and declaring that the republican party could not afford to appoint to so important an office a man so distasteful to the labor element.

Mr. Fairbanks closed the debate in Mr. Powderly's behalf, defending his record in the office and his character as a man.

A WEAK PROTEST.

Spaniards Make One to Our Government in Regard to the Assembling of War Ships at Key West.

Washington, March 17.—The main development in the Spanish situation yesterday was in connection with the representations submitted by the Spanish government to the state department concerning the assembling of a large fleet of American warships at Key West, the war preparations and the influence which these might have on the approaching elections in Cuba. These representations were in line with the semi-official utterances recently accredited to a high official conversant with the views of the Spanish cabinet. While these representations cannot properly be regarded as a protest against the acts of the United States government, they may be set down as a remonstrance calculated to have an effect in European court circles. Not, however, being a technical protest, the statement has not called forth any official rejoinder on the part of the state department, for it is lacking in tangible accusations, being rather an argumentative presentation of alleged Spanish grievances.

The Fern sailed for Havana from Key West yesterday. She goes to relieve the Montgomery as a home for the officers engaged in supervising the wrecking operations at Havana.

WITH MILITARY HONORS.

Remains of Gen. Rosecrans are Laid in the Tomb.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 17.—The funeral of Gen. W. S. Rosecrans yesterday was one of the most impressive this city has ever witnessed. Thousands assembled to honor the dead warrior. Business was interrupted during the ceremonies.

The remains were removed from the city hall, where they had been lying in state, to the cathedral, where Bishop Montgomery officiated at the services. A huge procession of G. A. R. men, Confederate veterans and militia escorted the remains from the church to the cemetery. Following them came the hearse and directly behind it a riderless horse was led. The services at the church were brief. At the conclusion of the services, one of the infantry companies fired a salute of three volleys over the tomb, taps were sounded and the warrior was left to his rest.

FLOODS IN MICHIGAN.

Raging Rivers Cause Great Damage in the Vicinity of Saginaw.

Saginaw, Mich., March 17.—The Saginaw river is flooded to a height not hitherto reached since 1884. The Shiawasse, Cass and lesser tributary rivers are flooded to their utmost capacity. Travel was suspended yesterday over the Mackinaw street bridge. The water has not reached the floor of that bridge yet, but the protecting piles are submerged. In some streets the sidewalks and pavements are weighted by iron and the police have closed the streets to traffic. Between Saginaw and Bay City is an immense lake and several smaller villages are almost entirely evacuated. The Michigan Central has had a number of washouts between Saginaw and Bay City and cannot run trains.

Only the Best are Wanted.

Washington, March 17.—Considering the competition offered by the navy and marine corps in the enlistment of recruits, the war department feels that it is doing very well in securing men for the artillery regiments. The adjutant general's report yesterday was that 220 men had been secured. This is at the rate of 800 per month and about as fast as the men can be properly taken care of. The officials want the best men. The reports indicate that every section of the country is contributing to the enlistments and those from Dallas, Tex., are particular encouraging.

A CHICAGO HORROR.

Three Men Killed, Eighteen Missing and 30 Maimed as the Result of a Savage Fire in a Business Block.

Chicago, March 17.—It required just 20 minutes yesterday for one of the most savage fires Chicago has seen since the famous cold storage warehouse fire on the world's fair grounds in 1893, to take anywhere from 5 to 18 lives, maim 30 people and reduce the six-story brick building 215-221 Wabash avenue to a pile of blazing timber, red hot bricks and twisted iron.

The number of dead is in doubt and probably will not be definitely known until the debris of the building is sufficiently cooled to admit of a search being made for the bodies of those who are undoubtedly in the ruins. This will be two days hence at least. Three men are known to be dead. They are:

Samuel A. Clark, bookkeeper for the Olmstead Scientific Co.

Miles A. Smith, salesman for the Olmstead Co.

Edward Binz, cashier for Sweet, Wallach & Co.

The missing, of whom nothing could be learned at a late hour last night and most of whom are without question buried in the wreck of the building, number 18.

The building had two elevator shafts, one in front and one in the rear, and reaching from the third story to the roof was a light shaft which gave the flames every chance, and it was because of this shaft that the fire spread with such awful rapidity.

The building was occupied by a number of concerns, some of them employing large numbers of people. It is estimated that 400 persons were at work in the building when the fire was discovered.

The origin of the fire is in dispute. By some it is said to have been caused by an explosion of collodion in the wall paper warerooms of Alfred Peats on the third floor and by others to have been the result of an explosion among some chemicals in the photographic supply house of Sweet, Wallach & Co. on the sixth floor. Employes of both concerns deny that there was any explosion in their vicinity.

The sound of the explosion threw the inmates of the building into a panic, and on several floors a wild stampede began for the stairways and elevators. To add to the panic the men in charge of the elevators ran their cars up to the top of the building, shouting "Fire" at every floor. When they reached the top both elevators took on a load of frightened women and started for the bottom. The front elevator was in charge of Harry Gleason, a boy, and the rear one was handled by William St. John, a young man. Both of these showed much coolness and bravery and were instrumental in saving many lives.

The elevator in the front of the building was in good order, but not calculated to produce much speed. Gleason made one trip to the sixth floor, carried down a load of women, and although the smoke was rolling through the building in dense clouds, he started up again. At the fourth floor he stopped to take on a crowd of girls from the rooms of the National Music Co., being assisted in his work by Miss Katherine Carney, the forewoman. A man attempted to force his way into the elevator, but Gleason shoved him back into the hall that the women might have the first chance. The man never came out and probably met death in the flames.

After reaching the bottom with his load of girls Gleason was about to start up again when the supports of the elevator machinery at the top of the shaft caught fire and, seeing that they would give way before his slow elevator could make another trip, Gleason gave it up.

At the rear St. John did equally good work, but was not able to make more than one trip, as the fire swept through that portion of the building before it attacked the front. In less than ten minutes after the explosion that started the fire all escape for the inmates by the stairs and elevators was cut off. There remained only the windows and the single fire escape, a narrow iron thing not over 18 inches wide. This was speedily covered with a string of people.

Many of those who could not reach the fire escape made their way to the front windows and it was out of these that Clark, Smith and Binz hurled themselves to death.

Clark was bookkeeper for the Olmstead Scientific Co. on the seventh floor and remained to put the books in the safe. He might have escaped had he run upon the first alarm. He was first seen at one of the seventh story windows and a few minutes after showed himself in a window of the sixth floor. The fire was close upon him, the floors and walls behind him were crashing down, and it was certain death to remain where he was. There was no possibility of help and he took his only chance. Three seconds later he was dead on the pavement below.

Miles A. Smith, a salesman for the Olmstead Co., also leaped from a window in the sixth floor. He hesitated some time before taking the leap. He was killed, his body being horribly mangled.

Fruit Crops Ruined.

San Francisco, March 17.—A heavy frost occurred in the southern part of this state Tuesday night and serious damage was sustained by the fruit industry. Reports from Stockton, Fresno and Sacramento are to the effect that the apricot, peach and almond crops are ruined.

Steamer and All Hands Lost.

Lowestoft, Eng., March 17. — The bark British Princess, from Leith for Liverpool, was towed in here Wednesday with her bows stove, having been in collision at 3 a. m. off Gibbard lightship with an unknown steamer. The steamer sank within three minutes with all on board.

Reached a High Mark.

Washington, March 17.—The receipts from customs yesterday amounted to $1,319,737. This is the highest point by nearly $365,000 that the customs have reached since the new tariff act went into effect.

A DEFI FROM SPAIN.

Will Never Pay Indemnity Nor Permit Intervention.

A Semi-Official Announcement is Made at Madrid that Shows the Temper of the Dons in the Present Crisis.

Madrid, March 18.—The following semi-official note was issued here yesterday:

"The report of the Spanish commission on the Maine is not yet known, but the statements of several officers who have made a close examination of the scene of the disaster, show that it was indisputably due to an internal accident. American assertions to the contrary are therefore deplored in official quarters as tending to mislead public opinion and render the situation still more difficult from the standpoint of maintaining friendly relations between the two countries. It may be regarded as certain that should the American technical commission present a report declaring the disaster to be due to an external explosion, the public here will refuse to accept such a finding, and any demand for an indemnity based thereon will be indignantly repelled by Spain."

Washington, March 18.—The semi-official statement given out at Madrid advancing the government view that a demand for indemnity based on Spanish responsibility for the Maine explosion would be indignantly repelled by Spain, attracts much interest in official circles. There has been little doubt for some time that Spain was preparing for the contingency of an adverse report by the American court of inquiry and to that end was preparing to offset it by making clear the government's policy of standing by the report of the Spanish commission. The report of the latter body was due in Madrid on Wednesday, and while its conclusions are not officially known it is a foregone conclusion that it will find that the Maine disaster was an accident, resulting in internal explosion. This was foreshadowed in the advance utterances of Capt. Peral, head of the Spanish commission, who stated publicly several days ago that the theory of external explosion was untenable.

Along with the semi-official statement from Madrid that a demand for indemnity will be indignantly repelled, is the further statement from reliable sources that Spain has made it clear to the authorities here that intervention may lead to war.

The prospects of such intervention appear to be seriously entertained by Spain and strong efforts have been made to avert it by showing that the condition of the reconcentrados did not warrant the step, and also that it would threaten to end all prospects of further pacific negotiations.

A STRATEGIC MEASURE.

Removal of Battleships from Florida Waters to Hampton Roads is Thus Described by Naval Officials.

Washington, March 18.—The event of Thursday in official circles was the issue of an order for the formation of a new squadron of naval vessels to be stationed at Hampton Roads. The squadron in the beginning will consist of five ships, all the best of their types. Two of them—the battleships Massachusets and Texas—are withdrawn from the present North Atlantic fleet at Key West and Tortugas.

In ordering this movement the navy department is not animated by any purpose of yielding to representations that may have come from the Spanish minister. On the contrary the formation of the new squadron was brought about by purely strategic considerations, although it appears from the nature of the force so far under orders to rendezvous at Hampton Roads, that this strategy is of the defensive nature.

The new squadron cannot be called a "flying squadron" because the association of heavy battleships with fleet cruisers like the Brooklyn, Columbia and Minneapolis reduces the available speed of the whole to the speed of the slowest vessel and the squadron could not do much "flying" in the naval sense.

In place of the cruiser New York the people of Key West will look upon the big monitor Puritan, supposedly the most powerful ship in smooth water in the world. She will have to assist her on guard the double-turreted monitor Miantonomah and the monitor Amphitrite.

BRUCE IS DEAD.

A Leader of the Colored Race Passes from Earthly Life.

Washington, March 18.—Blanche K. Bruce, registrar of the treasury, died Thursday. He was born a slave in Virginia in 1841, taught school for a time in Hannibal, Mo., and later became a student at Oberlin. In 1869 he became a planter in Mississippi, was elected sheriff of his county, and subsequently superintendent of education. In 1877 he was elected United States senator as a republican, and served until March 3, 1881. He was a member of every republican national convention held since 1868. In 1881 he was appointed by President Garfield registrar of the treasury, and later was appointed recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia.

About six months ago he was again appointed registrar of the treasury by President McKinley. Next after Fred Douglass, Mr. Bruce has long been regarded as the most conspicuous man of his race.

The First Money Goes to England.

Washington, March 18.—The first disbursement under the act of congress appropriating $50,000,000 for the national defense has been made by the treasury department on an executive order for $145,995, to be cabled to London to the credit of Sir William Armstrong, in part payment for 12 rapid-fire guns. The purchase price, including mounts, etc., is $21,000 for each gun, or $252,000 for the 12. In addition to this payment the treasury department to-day will cable Rothschilds at London $1,699,621 in full payment for the Brazilian cruiser Amazonas, and in part payment for the Abreuall.

$500 Reward

The above Reward will be paid for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who placed iron and slabs on the track of the Emporium & Rich Valley R. R., across the east line of Franklin Housler's farm, on the evening of Nov. 21st, 1891.

HENRY AUCHU, President.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Figures recently brought to the surface with reference to our export trade to China and Japan show that there has been an increase of more than 100 per cent. in our sales to those two countries during the past year, a very large proportion of it coming from the South.

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Populists, individually and in conventions all over the country, are rejecting the fusion proposition which Chairman Butler and the other chairman with whom he is co-operating for selfish purposes proposed in their joint addresses two weeks ago. Butler comes to the front now with a statement that he is not favoring fusion, but "fair and honorable co-operation." Everybody knows, however, that he openly worked against the Populists' tickets in Ohio, Iowa, Kentucky, and elsewhere, and for Democratic success last year, and is working to the same end again.

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Foreign manufacturers continue to invest money in manufacturing establishments in the United States, now that they have investigated the Dingley protective tariff law. A new silk mill at South Bethlehem, Pa., another at Patterson, N. J., a dress goods plant at Athenia, N. J., a velveteen mill at Mystic, Conn., and other establishments of this character in which foreign capital will give employment to American workmen, are announced as among the business developments since the enactment of the new tariff law, and others are to follow.

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The Minnesota Populists do not take kindly to the fusion proposition which a few office holders in Washington cooked up to insure their own re-election. The gentlemen who visited them the other day to promote fusion were coldly received, and the committee called a meeting of a State convention for June 15, the chairman in issuing the call for the Convention giving no approval of fusion, but announcing that it was the sense of the committee that the integrity of the People's party should be preserved.

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The one member of the People's Party National Committee from Indiana who held that the People's party could do greatest service to the people by sinking its individuality in the Democratic party has been deposed and in his place a Populist elected who believes that the People's party has a mission it can only fill by living. Indiana's three representatives on the National Committee of the People's party are all opposed to fusion, and this sentiment is rapidly gaining ground among Populists in all parts of the country.

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The New York "Commercial," a financial publication, sustains the assertion made in these columns that the sugar trust gained no permanent advantage through the enactment of the Dingley law, by saying in a recent issue, that: "Refiners who know the profits of the business, and who had been long on stock for years, and sold it, do not dream of buying it back." Considering that this statement is made when sugar trust stock has fallen from 160 to 120, it is apparent that those most familiar with the real facts of the case do not consider that the trust occupies an advantageous position under the new law.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, March. 22, 1898.

Silver continues to fall and farm products continue to rise. The latest number of Bradstreets', that standard publication upon which democrats so much relied for data upon which to base their arguments in the campaign of 1896, shows that silver, which was 69⅛ cents per ounce on July 1, just previous to the adoption of the Chicago platform, had fallen on March 1, 1898, (twenty-one months later), to 54⅝ cents, while nearly all farm products had advanced. "Nearly every one of the leading cereals," it says, "and their products, including flour, advanced during February." The same is true in many other articles of farm production. Out of 108 staple articles whose prices are followed by Bradstreet's more than one-half have advanced during the month of February, while only 15 declined. The steady advance in the prices of all articles of farm production in the face of the steady fall in the price of silver is so strongly marked and in such sharp contrast with the assertions made by the Chicago platform and the silver supporters in the campaigns of 1894 and 1896 that a comparison of the present prices of the various articles of farm production with those which prevailed at the adoption of the Chicago platform will be of general interest, and especially timely at this moment in view of the insistence of the Democrats and Populists that the silver issue must again be made the leading feature of the campaigns. The following table compiled from Bradstreets' gives prices of various articles of farm production on July 1, 1896, compared with March 1, 1898, is chosen because of its proximity to the date of the adoption of the Chicago platform. The prices quoted in the tables below are those of the New York market unless otherwise specified:

	July 1, '96.	March 1, '98
Silver per ounce	$ .69⅛	$ .54¼
Wheat, No. 2 Red	.64⅝	1.05
Corn No. 2	.33½	.35½
Oats, No. 2	.21½	.31
Barley, No. 2	.30	.42
Rye	.37½	.57¾
Flour, per barrel	3.25	4.40
Beeves, (Chicago), per Cwt.	4.65	5.50
Hogs, carcases, (Chicago	.03⅞	.05
Mutton, carcases, (Chicago)	.05½	.07¼
Eggs	.12½	.16
Milk, per quart	.03¼	.05
Beef, per barrel	8.50	11.25
Pork, per barrel	8.25	10.50
Bacon	.04¾	.06¾
Lard	.04⅝	.05 2-5
Butter	.15	.19½
Cheese	.06⅜	.08½
Beans, choice marrow	1.15	1.40
Potatoes	.75	2.25
Onions	1.50	2.00
Hides, dry	.17	.20
Wool, Ohio X	.16	.27
Hops	.07	.16
Tobacco, medium leaf	.11	.15¼
Cotton seed, (Houston)	8.00	9.00

While there is a marked increase in practically all articles produced by farmers, it will be seen by the figures which follow that there has been a marked reduction in prices of many articles used by them, or used by transportation and other business interests with which they must cooperate in the marketing of their crops:

	July 1, '96.	March 1, '98.
Coffee, Rio, No. 7	$ .13	.06¼
Molasses, New Orleans	.32	.29
Print cloths, (Boston)	.02 7-16	.02 3-16
Sheeting (Boston)	.05⅝	.04¾
Petroleum, refined	.07 4-5	.06 4-5
Nails, wire	2.80	1.75
Pine, yellow, per M	17.00	16.00
Timber, eastern spruce	15.00	14.50
Phosphate, S. C	5.25	4.50
Ground bone	22.00	20.00
Quinine, per ounce	.30	.26
Tin plate (Pittsburg)	3.65	2.85
Pig iron	12.60	11.75
Pig, Bessemer (Pittsburg)	12.50	10.25
Steel billets (Pittsburg)	20.25	15.50
Steel rails (Pittsburg)	28.00	20.00
Coal, anthracite	4.25	4.15
Coke, McConnellsville	2.00	1.75
Tar (Wilmington, N. C.)	1.20	.95
Men's grain shoes, wholesale	1.06¼	1.00
Women's buff shoes	.80	.72½

A Narrow Escape.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and hove the satisfaction of knowing it has absulutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, bronchitis, hoarseness and all diseases of the throat, chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on L. Taggart, druggist, and get a trial bottles free. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Why is an umbrella never used until it is used up.

I desire to attest to the the merits of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as one of the most valuable and efficient preparations on the market. It broke an exceedingly dangerous cough for me in 24 hours, and in gratitude therefor, I desire to inform you that I never will be without it, and you should feel proud of the high esteem in which your Remedies are held by the people in general. It is the one remedy in te n thousand. Success to it. O. R. Downey, Editor Democrat, Albion, Ind. For sale by L. Taggart. mch.

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The Democratic County Committee, it is rumored, met at Warner House, yesterday. Judge Brennan will inform you as to the business transacted.

Mason Hill Letter.

On deck again, after the log drive.

C. W. Williams left for parts unknown on Monday, in search of a span of horses.

R. Russell, bookkeeper on Cochran's log drive, was home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Marsh visited friends on Benetts, last week.

Contractor W. U. Barr, of Mix Run, was the guest of his mother over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Williams, of Huston Hill, called on W. J. Miller and wife, Friday.

The principal occupation of the "wheats" of this place, is setting behind the stove fighting the Spaniards.

Mrs. Martha Miller returned home on Saturday, after a prolonged visit with friends at Medix Run.

Miss Vida Housler and Jessie Sterling, two of Sterling Run's estima ble young ladies, attended the entertainment and visited friends here over Sunday.

The associate judgeship pot has begun to boil. About one hundred candidates are in the field.—A big fat office—too bad we can't elect all of them.

W. U. Barr, the Mix Run lumberman lost his pocket book somewhere near the school house on Sunday night. The finder will be liberally rewarded by taking it back to the owner.

Claud Williams, Supt. of Mrs. Barr's stock farm, at Medix Run drove down to attend the entertainment Saturday night.

Quite a nunber of young people from Sterling Run, Huston Hill and Millers Run attended the entertainment on Saturday night.

This region was visited on Friday and Saturday night by a terrific storm. The wind blew, the lightning struck, the thunder crashed, the rain fell in torrents and the end is not yet.

A large number of voters of this place attended the Republican primary at Driftwood on Saturday and judging from the amount of noise they made coming home they had a very fine time.

I feel that in the interest of justice and the purity of our homes to say that a certain young man (or whether we can call him a man or not will leave to the readers) came to the school house on Friday night when the teacher and scholars were practicing for their entertainment and acted in an unmanly way, pounding the school house, kicking the door, prying open the window shutters, looking in the transit, using disgraceful language, flurishing a revolver in the window and making threats he would shoot the first person that made any resistance and making noise that the people in side could hardly tell when it was thundering. The cause of his bad action cannot be accounted for, unless he was possessed with an evil spirit or perhaps partook of the wine when it was red. He was asked twice by the teacher in a kind and gentle way to come in the house, but he wasn't man enought to come in or go away. This young swain was raised by good christain parents and for their benefit and for the benefit of the community, county and state, I will not mention his name. What this fellow deserves is nothing less than a term of years turning the grindstone in the western "pen" and of which he no doubt will get if the jury does justice in the next term of court, and if he fails to get justice he had better go to the south sea island where he can find people of his own moral nature, and let civilized people live in peace.

Miss Amy Summerson of Sterling Run finished a successful six months term of school at this place on Friday last. Miss Summerson is a lady in every respect and gave general satisfaction to the parents and scholars and was respected by all. On Friday night the school gave an entertainment which was a credit to themselves as well as the teacher; notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the house was packed to the uttermost. Through neglect I am unable to get the program and will only give what I can remember:

Address of welcome,.....Earl Marsh
Song, Two Orphans,.....Maud Williams
Recitation,.....Gladays Russell
Instrumental Music,.....Ethel Barr
Recitation.....Bertha Walker
Dialogue, "Know Nothing Customer,"
Abner Hill and Charley Barr
Song,...."Gypsies Warning,"....Alice Williams
Resitation, "Preachers Vacation,"....Ethel Barr
Song, "Good Old Jeff," Bernie Marsh, Eva Lane
Dialogue, Alice Williams, Ava Lane, Arvilla Hill, Clara Ives,
Tableau.
Instrumental Music,.....Miss Summerson
Dialogue, "Jumbo Jum," Maud Williams, Ethel Barr, Ray Jordan, Bernie Marsh, Stella Logue, Harry Marsh and Leslie English.
Song, "Write to Papa,".....Bertie Walker
Hoop Drill,.....Seven girls
Song, "Your not the only Pebble on the Beach," Maud Williams, Stella Logue.
Dialogue, "My wife's mother," Bernie Marsh Maud Williams Ethel Barr.
Recitation, "My Dog,".....Dorsey Bailey
Tableau, "Shooting Mother-in-law,"
Ethel Barr, Bernie Marsh
Dialogue, "Teaching School," Stella Logue, Harry Marsh, Abner Hill, Leslie English.
Song, "Good Night,".....by the School

March 21, 1898.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents a box. For sale by L. Taggart.

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Having purchased the largest and most handsome line of those goods I shall be compelled to cut close to the cost in order not to carry any over to another season. Come quick and get your pick.

PARLOR SUITES, EASY CHAIRS, SIDEBOARDS, LOUNGES, EASELS.

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it is to recline at ease on one of our superb couches. Slumber comes unsought under such delightful conditions. Pieces of furniture like these are as pleasant to look on as they are to lie on and this fact makes them an irresistable temptation to repose. Our entire stock is packed full of temptations for that matter, temptations in parlor and bedroom suits and in every kind of furniture, and unprecedented temptations in prices. Some people are always quoting from somebody, but our favorite quotations are figures like these: Couches, $5, $6, $8, and $10.

Best Furniture.

We have the largest line ever exhibited in Cameron county.

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CLOTHIERS,

We take great pleasure this week in announcing to the people of Cameron county, that we have just received the most beautiful and complete line of

SPRING GOODS,

Ever placed in Emporium. We have spared no expense in buying the BEST CLASS of goods on the market.

We desire to call the attention of the public to our Show Windows and examine all the latest novelties of spring.

OUR FEDORA HATS,

In all shapes and colors are a thing of beauty and something shich all, both young and old should wear this spring.

OUR SATIN LINED SUITS

For Easter are among the choice offerings we are now displaying. These are of the highest grade of ready-made clothing and best workmanship

OUR NECK WEAR,

Comprises all the latest novelties in Plaids, Stripes and Polkadots and is the most up-to-date line we have ever handled. In a word throughout our entire department we have nothing but the best to offer and will take great pleasure in showing our goods if you will but call.

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One door east of Bank.

Special Two Weeks Clearing Out Sale.

Men's Clothing,
Boys' Clothing,
Children's Clothing,
Men's Furnishings,
Hats, Caps Shoes.
Everything in the store regardless of cost.
Sale lasts positively only two weeks.

Here are a Few of the Many Bargains.

Men's Black Clay Worsted suits, former price $14, now - - - $10

Men's Overcoats formerly $8.50, now - $5.00

Men's suits, former price $8.00, now - $4.50

Children's suits from $1.00 up.

Boys' knee pants form 19c upwards.

Men's Cotton half hose 6 pairs for 25c.

Men's Suspenders 10 cents.

John Soble,

Opposite Post-office, Emporium, Pa.

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About Our Book and Stationery Department.

We solicit mail orders for books and stationery. We will gladly quote you our prices at any time for any book or books published, and we can always supply you with the best writing paper and stationery at very low prices. We do card engraving in the best form for much less than usual prices.

SOME BOOK PRICES.

Quo Vadis, the authorized and unabridged edition, cloth binding, illustrated 50c., postage 12c.

The same in paper covers 18c., postage 7c.

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The Beth Book, by Sarah Grand, published at $1.50, our price $1.10c, postage 12c.

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Corleone, by F. Marion Crawford, 2 vols., $1.40, postage 17c.

The Seats of the Mighty, by Gilbert Parker, $1.20, postage, 11c.

The Choir Invisible, by James Lane Allen, published at $1.50, our price, $1.15 postage 8c.

The Chautauqua Books, for course 1898, 5 vols., $4.50 the set, expressage 25c.

Pelonbet's Notes on the International Sunday School Lessons for 1898, 85c, postage 12c.

Subscriptions for all magazines and periodicals are received at publishers' rates.

Stationery.

Our "Swan Vellum," and "Swan Satin" are high-class writing papers, made in four sizes—
"Joseph" and "Billet" sizes, 40c box of 5 quires. Envelopes to correspond, 40c box of 125.
"Octavo" size, 50c. a box; envelopes 50c.
Our "Swan Everwyn" and "Swan Feather" are smooth and rough linen papers made only in octavo and commercial sizes, ruled and plane, 30c and 35c the 5 quire packets, envelopes 7c and 8c packet.
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Papeteries of new square shaped paper and envelopes in fashionable tints, azure, heliotrope, cream and mazarin 15c box, worth 20c, postage 8c.
The same in larger size 20c. worth 30c, postage 10c.
Papeteries of initial paper with envelopes, all initials, new and beautiful, all colors 40c box, worth 50c.
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Plate and 50 cards for $1.25, postage 6c. Engraving address line 30c extra.
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Specimens of engraving and sizes of cards forwarded on application.
Monograms and address dies sunk from $1.50 upwards. Stamping in any color 50c for 120 sheets, or 90c in gold and silver.

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If in need of Shoes we have them in all styles and reasonable prices.

RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Lot 121—Ladies Tan Lace Shoes, sizes, 2½ to 6, at $3.00.

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Lot 130—Ladies Dongola Button Shoes, sizes, 2½ to 6 at $2.75.

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Owing to the very liberal patronage I have had from our people and in view of the hard times I will until MAY 1st, reduce the price of Physicians Prescriptions as follows, viz:

All 1 oz. mixtures, regular price, 20 to 15
All 2 oz. mixtures, regular price, 25 to 19
All 3 oz. mixtures, regular price, 35 to 25
All 4 oz. mixtures, regular price, 45 to 30
All 6 oz. mixtures, regular price, 65 to 50
All 8 oz. mixtures, regular price, 85 to 65

And a corresponding reduction on all packages of Powders, Pills, Ointments Also liberal discount on all Patent Medicines, Baby Foods, Perfumes, Toilet and Fancy Articles and extra liberal discount on Fountain Syringes, Hot Water Bottles, Atomizers and Nursing Bottles.

I will guarantee my goods to be strictly fresh and equal to any goods in the market.

Thirty years experience in the town of Emporium is sufficient evidence of competency. If you wish to avail yourself of the liberal offer, leave your Physician's Prescriptions and drug trade in general at the OLD RELIABLE DRUG STORE.

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Emporium, Pa., Feb. 23, 1898.

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Graham, "	
Rye "	
Buckwheat, "	50
Patent Meal, "	40
Coarse Meal, per 100,	90
Chop Feed, "	90
Middlings, "	90
Bran, "	90
Corn, per bushel,	50
White Oats, per bushel,	40

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Contributions invited. That which you would like to see in this department, let us know by postal card, letter, or personally.

Henry Farr visited with Austin friends last week.

Geo. Hurteau is at Buffalo, where he intends to remain.

Mr. W. W. Taylor, of Buffalo, visited with his mother in town over Sunday.

Mrs. E. M. Hurteau, the Fourth street milliner, was a PRESS visitor yesterday.

Messrs. Haley, Hoffman, Moore and Swyers, of Renovo, were in Emporium on Sunday.

C. D. Osterhout, of Ridgway, looked in on the Republican County Convention on Tuesday.

John O'Byrne has gone to Oil City, to accept a position with the Enterprise Milling Company.

Mrs. I. K. Hockley returned last Saturday from a visit with friends and relatives at Williamsport.

Mr. Blumle informs us that his daughter, Miss Theresa, has improved greatly during the past week.

Miss Elva Whiting is home from Lock Haven Normal to spend the Spring vacation with her parents.

Mr. Chas. Wiley, of this place, who is attending school at Blair College, N. J., came home last Tuesday to spend his Easter vacation.

Mr and Mrs. Henry Auchu were called to Williamsport yesterday, on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Auchu's brother-in-law.

Mrs. W. W. Arnold, of Sterling Run, (Mrs. M. P. Whiting's mother) we are pleased to learn is recovering slowly from her serious illness.

O. B. Tanner, of Mason Hill, came to Emporium last Tuesday to witness the proceedings of the Republican County Convention. He called to see the PRESS.

Ed. and Bert Hillyard have returned to Emporium for the season and will work in Howard's mill. Ed. denies that he passed the winter at Grove City, yet we would not blame him if he had.

Messrs. A. M. Ent, of Ridgway, L. W. Gleason, of Medix Run, and John and Chas. Gleason, of Driftwood, attended the Masonic banquet, which was given Tuesday night by the Emporium Chapter.

Hon. I. K. Hockley has made arrangements with W. H. Howard to work his Rich Valley farms this season. We have no better farms in the county than the Howard lands and money should be realized if properly managed.

Our old friend of boyhood days, John T. Hertig, of East Emporium, was an agreeable caller at the PRESS sanctum Tuesday evening. Mr. Hertig is in the employ of the Climax Powder Mfg. Co., of this place. We are always pleased to meet our old friends.

Dime Social.

To be given by the Emergency Class of the Presbyterian Sunday School, at the home of Mr. Geo. Bloom, on Thursday evening, March 24, at 7:30. The following interesting program will be rendered:

Music.
Vocal Duet, Miss Bessie Ault, Mr. J. J. McInnes
Recitation, ... Mary Knight
Music ..... Stringed Instruments
Piano Solo ..... Miss Flossie Taggart
Selections from Graphophone.
Vocal Solo, ... Miss Grace McCaslin
Piano Trio ..... The Misses Leet
Music ..... Stringed Instruments
Piano Duet, Misses Ada Hockley, Forence Card
Trio ..... Male Voices
Solo ..... Miss Lizzie McInnes
Recitation ..... Guy Mankey
Piano Solo ..... Mrs. Fred Robbins

Everybody invited. Come one, come all, with your dime and enjoy this program and get a cup of chocolate and a piece of cake.

THE CLASS.

Rich Valley Notes.

Editor Press:—

Little Fay Goff is quite sick with sore throat.

John Lewis has been laid up with a lame back for a week or more.

McClellan Miller and wife, of Dents Run, made a short visit in the valley last week.

Aunt Susan Chadwick has gone to live at E. E. Swartwood's again.

Mrs. Henman and her brother Warren Moore have commenced housekeeping in their new house.

Miss U. M. Chadwick, of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting friends in the valley. She has just returned from a trip to Italy.

I. K. Hockley, of Emporium, has rented the Howard farms.

Ella Bittenbender had the misfortune to fall and run a stubble in her ear. A piece of the stubble broke off and remained in her ear several days, from which she has suffered terribly.

We saw the familiar face of Wm. Thompson on the street the other day, for the first in a long time. He has been away on a visit to his brother. Welcome home, Henry.

March 21, 1898. ADINA.

Money in Politics.

We invite the careful attention of the PRESS readers to the following article copied from the Philadelphia *Times*. For years Cameron county has witnessed some disgraceful boodle campaigns and it is an open secret that certain individuals have openly boasted that "in Cameron county a few hunpred dollars would defeat any candidate" and "election officers could be bribed to violate the laws." The Lancaster county incident will apply with equal force to this county:

"A poor devil of a colored preacher in Lancaster has been arrested on the charge of accepting an election bribe, and formally expelled from the Lancaster Ministerial Association. He contracted with the friends of the Republican candidate for Mayor in that city to deliver some thirty votes of his congregation for that candidate.

"None will dispute the propriety of dismissing such a minister from the pulpit, nor will his criminality be doubted, but where are the men who bribed him, and who habitually tempt men from their integrity who are in poverty? If the minister was bribed somebody must have bribed him, and the tempter was the man who offered the money to the impoverished parson.

"We are on the threshold of a great political contest in Pennsylvania. It is one of the most important we have had for many years. It involves the election of a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Judge of the Superior Court and Secretary of Internal Affairs, an entire delegation to Congress, and the Legislature to be chosen will elect a United States Senator to succeed Mr. Quay.

"With the experience in the contest of 1896 and in the Legislature of 1897, the people of Pensylvania should set themselves like hooks of steel against the use of money in politics. No local, district or State candidate should be permitted to succeed who starts out to win his way by the debauchery of the people. If we are to have a government worthy the respect of the people, the boodler must be sent to the rear and money must be eliminated from our politics.

"It is the veriest mockery to indict and punish a poor colored minister because in his poverty he was tempted by the money of the boodler to commit an act not only lawless but unworthy of his sacred calling, if the boodler who tempted him, and without whom no such offense could have been committed, is allowed to go without exposure and punishment.

"The only way to break up the now appalling evil in Pennsylvania of money in politics is to strike at the corrupt fountain from which these streams of debauchery flow to contaminate the people. As long as there shall be men with money to tempt the poor, the dependent and the venal, just so long will there be corruption in Pennsylvania politics; but whenever it shall be determined that no man can play the roll of boodler without disgrace and imprisonment, we shall have purer politics inaugurated and men of merit will have a fair fight for political honors.

"Every good citizen, regardless of party or faction, should take high resolve that money in politics should not be given the mastery in Pennsylvania in the great battle of 1898."

It is time for the sober thinking people of Cameron county to think carefully over this question and organize to put a stop to this debauching system. Let us, if necessary, organize a Law and Order League and prosecute to the fullest extent all violations of the laws. The PRESS will cordially second any such plan and render all the aid within its power.

Huston Hill.

Mud everywhere.

About fifteen of the young people attended the entertainment on Mason Hill last Saturday night.

Photographs to be given away Kinworthy.

A. S. Hicks has taken two new boarders.

Kid Conors, S. D. Billings' bookkeeper has come home to farm.

Minnie Rhinehart visited with parents over Sunday.

Everybody attended the election on Saturday.

The school-dad had business at the north end of town one night last week.

Mrs. Maud Barr is the guest of her mother this week.

We are now preparing for the entertainment.

SAMMY.

The Golden Secret of Long Life.

Keep the head cool, and the feet warm and bowels open. Bacon's Celery King for the Nerves is a Vegetable preparation and acts as a natural laxative, and is the greatest remedy ever discovered for the cure of Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint and all Blood, Liver and Kidney diseases. Call on R. C. Dodson, Emporium, Thos. A. Green, Johnsonburg; C. C. Craven, Sterling Run. 32-12y.

Fulton & Pearsall.

These up-to-date painters have consolidated their business and may be found at their shop in Parsons' Bazaar. Both are practical painters and will give prompt attention to all work entrusted to them. Estimates furnished for all kinds of house, sign and decorative painting as well as wall papering and frescoing. Especial attention given to out of town orders. 47tf.

Cut Flowers.

For sale on Saturday afternoon by class No. 10, at M. M. Larrabee's store. Patronize the young ladies as their object is a good one.

Auction Sale of Horses.

One car load of Mercer county horses at the Warner House stables, Emporium, Pa., Wednesday, April 6th, 1898. They consist of drivers, draft and general purpose horses. Several well matched pairs, both draft and drivers; also family horses Every horse must be as represented on day of sale. Terms made known on day of sale. No postponement on account of the weather. Everybody come.

4-2t S. G. COFFIN, Prop.

Fire at Red Rock.

E. B. Sage, the Red Rock florist, no doubt believes in the old saying that misfortunes never come singly. Yesterday during the heavy rain storm a derrick belonging to him was blown over and this morning his hot houses at Red Rock were partially destroyed by fire. At 6:30 the boiler house was discovered to be ablaze and the flames quickly communicated with the potting shed. An alarm of fire was raised and the male population of Red Rock turned out and attempted to control the elements. Although they worked with might and main their efforts were in vain until the flames had almost destroyed the carnation houses and damaged the rose house somewhat. The loss is over $300 and there is no insurance.—Bradford Star.

That great stock of clothing at N. Seger's you want to see.

Birthday Party.

Mary Catharine Knight entertained the following little friends last Tuesday, in honor of her sixth birthday: Lee Felt, Leon and Edna Walker, Frank Housler, Kate and Clark Metzger, George Balcom, Warner and Marion Judd, Gene and Joe McNarney, Willie Card, Ronald Reick, Rodney Shives, Gladays Lloyd, Margaret and Ophelia Dodson, Marguerite Metzger, Nellie and Alisa Swain, Cecelia, Katie and Phil. McDermot, Harold Seger, Florence Stauffer, Marion and Ermin Rentz, Guy Mankey, Louise Seger, Ida Seger, Howell Burnel, Magadalene Mankey, Clyde Thomas, Gladys Burrows, Foster Johnson, Morrison Swain. Refreshments were served the little friends by Mrs. W. B. Thompson, assisted by Miss Cush and other friends. Miss Catharine was handsomly remembered with many beautiful presents.

Thoroughbred Stock.

White Leghorn eggs from thoroughbred birds. Best layers in the country. Eggs large and plenty of them. Orders received now.

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Emporium, Pa.—2-tf

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Special Excursion via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that on April 1st it will run a special excursion from points on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, Erie to Lock Haven, inclusive, to Washington, for the benefit of all who may wish to visit the National Capital at this season. Round-trip tickets, good going on all regular trains April 1, and good returning on any regular train leaving Washington not later than April 11, will be sold at greatly reduced rates. Special sleeping cars will be run through on train leaving Erie at 3:30 p. m.

Holders of special excursion tickets to Washington can purchase, at the Pennsylvania Railroad Ticket Offices in Washington, excursion tickets to Richmond at rate of $1.00 and to Old Point Comfort (all rail) at $6.00; at the offices of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company, excursion tickets (not including meals and staterooms on steamers) to Old Point Comfort or Norfolk, Va., at $3.50, and to Virginia Beach, Princess Anne Hotel, at $4.50; Washington to Mt. Vernon and return, via electric railway, 50 cents.

For full information consult small handbills, apply to ticket agents, or address E. S. Harrar, Division Ticket Agent, Williamsport, Pa.

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A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back or weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at L. Taggart's drug store.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Estate of MARY A. GOULD, deceased.

LETTERS testamentary to the estate of MARY A. GOULD, late of Emporium Borough, Cameron county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will make known the same without delay.

A. D. GOULD,
H. H. MULLIN,
Administrators.

March 7th, 1898.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Estate of CORNELIUS B. GOULD, deceased.

LETTERS testamentary to the estate of CORNELIUS B. GOULD, late of Emporium Borough, Cameron county, Pennsylvania, deceased have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will make known the same without delay.

A. D. GOULD,
H. H. MULLIN,
Administrators.

March 7th, 1898.

CHARTER NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of Pennsylvania on Thursday, March 24th 1898, by Herbert Day, R. P. Heilman, F. X. Blumle, Gillis Bliss, Grant S. Wiley, D. Burlingame, C. C. Fay and others under the Act of Assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incoporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called Emporium Creamery Company, the character and object of which is for the purpose of manufacturing butter, ice cream, cheese and all goods or commodities manufactured from cream or milk, and the transacting of all business connected with a creamery, and for these purposes to have, possess, and enjoy all the rights, benefits, and privileges of said act of Assembly and supplements thereto.

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Fancy Stationery.

Just received the choicest invoice of Fancy Stationery, including Envelopes, Paper and Turists Pads,

Toilet and Bath Goods.

My line of Toilet and Bath Goods includes a fine line of Soaps, Brushes, Sponges, etc.

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DRUG -- STORE.

EMPORIUM, PA.

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F. E. MATTESON & CO.,
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TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM EASTWARD,

8 20 A. M.—Train 8 week days for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6.23 P. M., New York 9.30 P. M., Baltimore 6.00 P. M., Washington 7.15 P. M. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

3 20 P. M.—Train 6 week days for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 4.30 A. M., New York 7.33 A.M. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 A. M.

8 57 P. M.—Train 4 Daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6.52 A. M., New York 9.33 A. M., weekdays, (10.38 A. M. Sunday;) Baltimore 6.20 A. M., Washington 7.40 A. M. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Williamsport. Passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

5:10 A. M.—Emporium Junction—Train 9 week days for Erie, Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10 25 A. M.—Train 3 Daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6 25 P. M. — Train 15, week days for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR EMPORIUM FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 9 leaves New York 5:50 p. m., Philadelphia 8:50 p. m., Washington 7:20 p. m., Baltimore 8:40 p. m., arriving at Emporium Junction 5:10 a. m., week days, with Pullman Sleepers and passenger coaches, from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport.

Train 3 leaves New York 7.40 p. m., Philadelphia 11.20 p. m., Washington 10.40 p. m, Baltimore 11.50 p. m., daily, arriving at Emporium 10.25 a. m., with Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars from Philadelphia to Williamsport, and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and Baltimore to Williamsport—on Sundays only Pullman Sleepers from Philadelphia to Erie.

Train 15 leaves Philadelphia 8.30 a. m., Washington 7.50 a.m., Baltimore 8.50 a. m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 A. M., week days, arriving at Emporium 6.25 P. M., with Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport, and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Kane.

RIDGWAY & CLEARFIELD RAILROAD and Connections.

(Week days.)

SOUTHWARD. A. M.	A. M.	Stations.	NORTHWARD P. M.	P. M.
8 50	4 00	Renovo	5 00	10 20
9 43	4 41	Driftwood	4 03	9 30
10 20	5 10	Emporium Junc	3 25	9 00
11 02	5 52	St. Marys	2 40	8 19
11 15		Kane	12 15	9 05
11 36		Wilcox	11 51	8 42
11 49		Johnsonburg	11 36	8 27
12 10	6 20	Ridgway	8 50	8 00
12 17	6 27	Island Run	8 43	7 52
12 22	6 32	Carman Tr'nfer	8 38	7 47
12 31	6 41	Croyland	8 29	7 38
12 35	6 45	Shorts Mills	8 26	7 35
12 39	6 48	Blue Rock	8 22	7 30
	6 56	Vinyard Run	8 19	
12 43	6 52	Carrier	8 17	7 26
12 53	7 02	Brockwayville	8 08	7 17
12 57	7 06	Lanes Mills	8 02	7 12
1 07	7 14	Harveys Run	7 54	7 04
1 15	7 20	Falls Creek	7 50	7 00
1 40	7 35	DuBois	7 40	6 40
1 20	7 25	Falls Creek	7 00	6 55
1 35	7 40	Reynoldsville	6 45	6 40
2 11	8 16	Brookville	6 09	6 04
3 05	9 10	New Bethlehem	5 20	5 10
3 50	9 55	Red Bank		4 25
6 30	12 40	Pittsburg		1 40
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, General Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen'l Passenger Agt.

WESTERN NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA RAILWAY.

Time Table In Effect April 18, 1897.

Trains leave Emporium for Keating-Port Allegany, Coudersport, Smethport, Eldred, Bradford, Olean and Buffalo, connecting at Buffalo for points East and West.

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday 8.30 A. M.
Mail, (103 daily except Sunday..... 1.50 P. M.

Train No. 103 (mail) will connect at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Bradford, Salamanca Warren, Oil City and Pittsburg.

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TIME TABLE No. 23.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R.

Taking effect June 15th, 1897.

EASTWARD.

STATIONS.		10 P. M.	4 P. M.	6 A. M.	2 P. M.
Port Allegany	Lv.	3 15	7 18		12 10
Coleman		○○	○○		*12 15
Burtville		*3 30	7 29		12 22
Roulette		3 40	7 36		12 29
Knowlton's		*3 45	○○		*12 34
Mina		3 55	7 46		12 41
Olmsted		*4 00	*7 50		*12 46
Hammonds		○○	○○		*12 51
Coudersport.	Ar.	4 15	7 57		12 55
	Lv.			6 30	1 00
North Coudersport				○○	*1 05
Frink's				*6 40	*1 14
Colesburg				*6 46	1 20
Seven Bridges				*6 50	*1 24
Raymonds's				*7 01	1 36
Gold				7 06	1 42
Newfield				*7 10	1 45
B. & S. Junction				7 13	1 50
Perkins				*7 16	*1 53
Carpenter's				○○	*1 56
Crowell's				*7 21	*2 00
Ulysses	Ar.			7 30	2 10

WESTWARD.

STATIONS.		1 A. M.	5 P. M.	3 A. M.	
Ulysses	Lv.	7 42	2 30	10 05	
Crowell's		*7 51	*2 40	*10 17	
Carpenter's		○○	*2 42	*10 20	
Perkins		*7 54	*2 45	*10 25	
B. & S. Junction		7 57	2 50	10 30	
Newfield		*8 00	2 54	*10 35	
Gold		8 04	2 56	10 42	
Raymond's		*8 07	2 59	*10 47	
Seven Bridges		*8 19	*3 11	*11 05	
Colesburg		*8 21	3 15	*11 10	
Frink's		*8 28	*3 22	*11 17	
North Coudersport		○○	*3 30	*11 27	
Coudersport	Ar.	8 43	3 35	11 35	
	Lv.			P. M.	
Hammonds		○○	○○	*1 34	
Olmsted		*8 51	*6 06	*1 40	
Mina		8 55	6 10	1 45	
Knowlton's		○○	*6 18	○○	
Roulette		9 05	6 22	1 57	
Burtville		9 13	6 30	2 10	
Coleman		○○	*6 36	○○	
Port Allegany		9 24	6 40	2 35	

(*) Flag stations. (○○) Trains do not stop.

Connections—At Ulysses with Fall Brook R'y. for points north and south. At Newfield Junction with Buffalo & Susquehanna R. R., north of Wellsville, south of Galeton and Ansonia. At Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. R. R., north for Buffalo, Olean, Bradford and Smethport; south for Keating Summit, Austin, Emporium and Penn'a R. R., points.

B. A. McCLURE, Gen'l Supt.
Coudersport, Pa.

BUFFALO, ROCHESTER & PITTSBURGH RAILWAY.

THE SHORT LINE BETWEEN BUFFALO, ROCHESTER, SALAMANCA, RIDGWAY, DUBOIS, PUNXSUTAWNEY, AND ALL POINTS IN THE NORTH, EAST AND WEST.

On and after Feb. 20, 1898, passenger trains will depart from Johnsonburg daily, except Sunday, as follows:

8:52 a. m., from P. & E. station for Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois, Punxsutawney and Clearfield.

11:52 a. m., from P. & E. station, mail for Mt. Jewett, Bradford and Rochester.

2:35 p. m., from P. & E. station, mail for Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois, Punxsutawney, and Clearfield.

2:28 p. m. from B. R. & P. station, Buffalo Express for Bradford, Salamanca, Springville and Buffalo.

Thousand mile tickets good for passage between all stations at two cents per mile.

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Rochester, N. Y.

ALL THE GOOD WE CAN.

If the sunshine never crept
Into hovels dark and sad,
If its glories never shone
Save where everything was glad,
If it scattered not its beams
Over hearts by sorrow chilled,
Would the sunshine do His will?
Would its mission be fulfilled?

If the roses never bloomed
Save for gladsome eyes alone,
If their beauty and their grace
For the weary never shone,
If they never brought a smile
To the wayside passer-by,
Would the roses do their task
While the hours of summer fly?

If the birdies sang their songs
Far from every listening ear,
If they poured them not abroad
All the earth to glad and cheer,
Would the birdies' work be done
Ere the autumn breezes call?
Ere the gold and crimson leaves
O'er the grave of summer fall?

If the sunshine of our smiles
We have scattered not afar,
If our roses—kindly deeds—
Bloom not where the lowly are,
If our words of hope and joy
Never fall to bless and cheer,
Have we done our Maker's will?
Have we wrought our mission here?
—George Cooper, in Golden Days.

A CLEW BY WIRE

Or, An Interrupted Current.

BY HOWARD M. YOST.

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CHAPTER IV.—CONTINUED.

The president was writing when I entered, but he laid aside his pen when he saw me.

"Take a seat, Conway," he said.

I did as requested. My heart was heavy before, but it was heavier when I noticed the troubled look on his face.

"Mr. Perry, have you read the papers?" I asked.

The president nodded assent.

"How is it that such a general impression has gone abroad that I had something to do with the affair? Who has started such a rumor?"

"I do not know, Conway, unless the police have given public expression to their opinion."

"The police. And what is their opinion? Was it not shown beyond any doubt that I was miles away from the vault at the time that the robbery must must have been committed? I say nothing about my own assertions. But how can anyone doubt the word of a man of Mr. Morley's standing?"

"Well, Conway, no one does doubt that you told the truth in that. But—" Mr. Perry seemed loath to proceed.

"But what, sir?" I demanded, after a pause.

"The detectives' theory is that you had accomplices, who, from directions given by you, were able to carry out a prearranged plan."

I answered with a scornful laugh. "Accomplices! Who are they?" I asked.

"Well, I suppose they are looking for them," Mr. Perry said, with a half-smile.

"I hope they'll enjoy the search," I said, sarcastically. "Oh, Mr. Perry, why is this thing brought upon me? Why am I so universally suspected, when nothing can be shown against me? If there is enough cause to attribute the robbery to me, why am I not arrested?"

"We had hoped to keep the affair a secret, for a time at least. Therefore some few of the trustees thought it best not to make it public, as having you arrested would have done. We were all pledged to secrecy, but somehow the affair got abroad. I suppose you did not mention it?"

"No, indeed. I have not spoken to a soul on the subject," I replied. "Mr. Perry," I cried, impulsively, "you do not believe I am guilty, do you?"

"I do not wish to believe so," he replied, guardedly.

"Oh, think, sir, what this terrible affair means to me! It is a fearful burden for a young fellow to bear who is wholly innocent."

"It is, indeed. But, you see, it is this way. The bank is a public institution, and I, as its head, dare not let my personal feelings interfere with my duty to the public. Personally, it does not seem possible that you could have any connection with the loss of the people's money—"

"Oh, thank you, Mr. Perry! I knew you could not think—"

He cut me short. "Officially, I must hold you in doubt, so much so at least that I cannot give you back your position."

"And did you suppose I expected to remain?" I asked, indignantly. "I could not. I want to hold no position where absolute and perfect confidence is not felt in me. You can consider this as my resignation, sir," I added.

"I am glad you look upon it in that light. It is manly, sir," said Mr. Perry. 'And, Nelson, not even the restoration of the missing funds would give me as great pleasure as the establishment of your innocence."

"Never fear, sir, my innocence will soon be proved. It cannot be otherwise, for I am innocent," I said, confidently. "I have a small estate which came to me from my grandfather," I continued. "Every cent shall be expended, if necessary, for the purpose of proving my innocence."

"You can do as you see fit about that," the president said, after a long pause, during which he seemed to be pondering over my words. "But if you wish for my advice, I would say, do nothing whatever on your own hook. Nelson," he continued, coming close up to me and speaking low, "secret measures have already been begun to solve the mystery, and they will be thorough and far-reaching. This is wholly independent of any investigations the police authorities may undertake. You see, my boy, that I do trust and believe in you, after all. What I have told you is in strict confidence. Live as quietly and patiently as possible under the cloud. Take a trip to Europe, and enjoy yourself."

"No, I'll stay and face the music. I am not afraid of any investigations which may be made into my life."

"Well, good-by now. I must not allow you to take up any more of my time. I beg of you to follow my advice, and undertake no search on your own hook. In spite of discouragement, heartache, or long delay, do nothing yourself."

He shook my hand heartily, and I left him.

As I was going out the door leading into the lobby, I ran against a man just coming in. He was an old fellow, small and thin, and had piercing steel-blue eyes. He rebounded a trifle from the collision, then gazed at me sharply.

"I beg your pardon," I said. "I hope I did not hurt you?"

"No. Not much, at any rate. I want to see the president. Are you the president?" he asked.

There seemed to me to be something insolent about his question, as though he knew I was not the president and he had asked but to mock me.

"You will find the president in his office," I replied, curtly. "As for me, I am a bank robber."

There was the suspicion of a twinkle came in his eyes as he said: "Indeed! Well, you don't look it."

The old fellow then entered the office, and I went outside to the street.

A few days went by, and, although nothing was found to sustain the theory of the detectives, that fact did not lessen the general suspicion which rested upon me.

Indeed, it was a case of surprise to me that I was not arrested. It would have been an easy matter, for I had no thought of hiding. The most public streets during the daytime, and a concert or the theater at night, were frequented by me. I held my head erect, as I had a right to do; but it was with a heavy heart and a chastened spirit that I realized that people shunned me. Houses where I had been on most friendly terms were closed against me.

I was tempted many times to seek consolation and encouragement in the presence of Florence Morley, but it did not seem right nor kind to burden her bright life with my troubles, even should she consent to see me, of which I was doubtful under the changed circumstances. Perhaps it was this fear which kept me away, as much as any other idea.

About a week after the robbery a letter came to my boarding-place:

"Mr. Nelson Conway—Dear Sir: If convenient, kindly favor me with an opportunity for conversation this evening at eight. I remain in town over night, and you will find me at my city residence.

"SYLVESTER MORLEY."

Wondering what he could wish to say to me, I repaired to his house at the time mentioned.

Mr. Morley received me in the library, and arose from his chair as I entered.

"Good evening, Mr. Conway," he gravely said, bowing his head. "Please be seated."

After I had chosen a chair on the opposite side of the room, and he had resumed his seat, he began, somewhat reluctantly, but in his stately, courteous way:

"Our conversation may prove unsatisfactory to you. If so, I beg your pardon in advance. Of course you are aware that the public in general connects your name with that daring and mysterious affair at the bank."

"I know very well, sir, that it is so," I replied, sadly.

"Now, I do not mind saying that I do not necessarily condemn a man because he is suspected," Mr. Morley continued. "In a case like yours the general public's opinion does not influence my opinion. At the same time, the general public is not to be blamed so much, after all. The people form their opinions from the newspapers, and I am sorry to note that the papers do not seem friendly toward you."

"That is true, sir," I answered. "And I cannot imagine why they should take that stand, when nothing, absolutely nothing, can be found to criminate me."

"I can furnish no idea why it is so; I simply state a fact. As I intimated, it is not my custom to condemn a man before he has been found guilty. But, whatever my private opinion may be, in this case you must understand that the suspicion which has fallen upon you will necessarily preclude a continuation of the friendly relations which have existed between you and—and my household."

"Oh, sir, you cannot believe in your heart that I had anything to do with the bank's loss!" I exclaimed, bitterly, for, kindly as was his manner, the words he spoke seemed to strike a knell to my fondest hopes.

"I have already said all I care to say on that score," Mr. Morley replied, rather coldly.

"And—and your daughter, sir," I went on, with trembling voice; "she does not share the general suspicion!"

A smile flitted across his face for a moment. Then he became grave again, and regarded me earnestly. He did not reply for some time; he seemed to be considering his answer.

"My daughter is rather indignant; she thinks that you are unjustly treated," he finally said.

I could not restrain myself on hearing this. I sprang from my seat and approached him.

"Mr. Morley, you do not know what it means to me to hear this. You cannot imagine how your daughter's opinion fills me with hope. May I ask you, sir, to express to her my deepest gratitude for her faith in my innocence? As God hears me, her faith is not misplaced." There was no controlling my voice; it trembled in spite of my efforts to be calm. Dear, true-hearted girl!

"I will convey to her your message," said Mr. Morley. "She has informed me of the sentiment you entertain for her. But, Mr. Conway, I believe you are a young man of sense and honor. You must therefore realize the position you would place her in by insisting on the continuation of a friendship which, out of kindness and gentleness of disposition, she would probably not refuse you. It would be unjust to her, embarrassing to you, and wholly contrary to my wishes."

"I fully appreciate the meaning of your words, Mr. Morley. Believe me, I regard your daughter too highly to intrude upon her notice, under existing circumstances. It is no sentiment I entertain for her; it is love, sir, deeper, truer, fonder than mere sentiment. This love has become the ruling motive of my life, and will always remain so. But I promise you I will hold no communication with your daughter until it is shown before the world that I am innocent. I confess, to follow this course will be the greatest sacrifice of my life. I have no parents, no near relations to whom I can go for love and sympathy. It means something, therefore, for me to promise you this."

Mr. Morley arose from his chair. There was a kindly gleam in his eyes, and an expression on his face of—sadness, was it? At any rate, there was undoubtedly a touch of sorrow in his voice when he spoke again. It seemed somewhat strange to me at the time. He had obtained the promise he wished, but it did not seem to give him the pleasure I naturally expected it would.

He extended his hand. "Mr. Conway, you are a man of honor," he said. "I deem it a favor to shake hands with you. I sincerely hope your innocence may be established. But," he hesitated here, "do not be over-sanguine. Robberies have occurred before which have ever remained mysteries. I must confess, although I am one of the trustees and am therefore an interested party, I am not so sure the perpetrators of this last robbery will ever be discovered. There seems to be not the slightest clew to work on. I do not say this to cause you pain, but simply to warn you against entertaining hopes which may never be realized."

CHAPTER V.

On the first evening of my occupancy of the old homestead I recalled Mr. Morley's words and thought with sorrow how much superior his judgment had been to mine.

A year had gone by, a year of heartache, disappointment and unfulfilled longing, and the cloud had not been lifted from my life. And, oh, I was so homesick for just a glimpse of my dear love's face.

A few days after my interview with Mr. Morley I had received a note from Florence:

"Dear Mr. Conway: Father has informed me of your resolve not to call on me or attempt to keep up the friendship which made me so happy, until you are freed from all suspicion. I appreciate the manliness which prompts you to such a resolve, and I wish to assure you from the bottom of my heart that I respect and trust you. I know you are innocent, and shall always believe so. Keep up a brave spirit. The mystery will be explained and you exonerated. Remember, I believe in you wholly, and shall always remain, Your true friend,

"FLORENCE MORLEY."

I took the worn note from the locket which I wore around my neck and

"Speak out, I say, or I'll fire!"

pressed it to my lips, as I had done many times since its receipt, and I wondered if her heart was still true to the sentiment expressed in it.

The harvest moon was resplendent and the white beams came into the window where I sat in my night robe, flooding my white drapery with light. There were no sounds of human life; the world seemed left wholly to the crickets and katydids. With a sigh from the depths of my lonely heart I replaced the note in its receptacle and arose.

Turning from the window, I saw right opposite me, on the other side of the room, a tall white figure. What was it? There it stood, while I gazed spellbound, motionless, mysterious. In a lightning flash of thought Sarah's forebodings came to me.

Then I grasped my pistol, which was lying on the table beside me.

"Now, then, if this is a practical joke, intended simply to frighten me, let it stop," I said. It was with some difficulty, I confess, that my voice was kept steady.

"Whoever you are, speak and explain, or I'll see if you have substance enough to stop a bullet!"

I paused for a reply, but none came.

"Speak out, I say, or, as sure as there is a God in Heaven, I'll fire!" I called again, and again received no reply.

The white thing remained there, in spite of my threats. After another pause, during which the cold chills chased up and down my spine, I raised my arm, took deliberate aim and fired.

A rattle of breaking glass followed the report of the pistol, and a dark spot appeared in the center of the white figure. The flash of the pistol had been reflected back, and in an instant I realized the truth.

With a scornful laugh and a condemnatory exclamation at my foolishness, I placed the pistol on the table and got into bed.

Then a slight scuffling noise, seeming to come from beneath, reached my ear, and I said, aloud, and with a laugh: "I've stirred up the rats, at any rate. Hello, what's that?" I exclaimed, as a deep, muffled sound, accompanied by a slight jar, immediately followed. It was as though a heavy door in some distant part of the house had slammed.

For quite a time I sat up in bed and listened, but no more unusual sounds followed.

Mrs. Snyder's words concerning mysterious happenings in my house and Sarah's unreasonable fears for my safety, followed by the two events just mentioned, did have an effect upon me, although the first event was due wholly to an ordinary cause, and the second, the apparent sound of a slamming door, might be, and probably was, just what it seemed. A gentle night breeze had arisen, and some of the windows in the upper part of the house might have been left open, thereby producing a draught and causing an intervening door to swing shut. True, the sound seemed to come from beneath me. But then that was probably imagination. In the silence of night a sudden noise is rather difficult to locate. How often the most common events, under unfamiliar circumstances, become inexplicable mysteries!

I am not of a superstitious make-up, and therefore Sarah's vague fears did not produce in me a feeling of fright; but there was a watchfulness about my senses as though there were "funny things," to use Sarah's term, about the house, which would become apparent in due time.

Nestling my head down on the pillow, redolent with the grateful health-giving aroma of spruce, I closed my eyes.

Sleep did not come as quickly as I had boasted to my old nurse it would, and it was some time before my consciousness began to wander into the domain of vague fancies and indistinct ideas which characterize the period between waking and sleeping.

Then, almost before my eyes could open, I suddenly sat up in bed and listened with hearing sharpened by the sense of expectancy which had come over me.

Out through the silence of my room there came stealing the sound of a voice—but such a voice! Not possessed by any human being, surely! Pitched on a high, quavering tone, and yet so soft and small; so faint, as though borne from a great distance; so plain, as though right at my bedside; bearing no semblance to human tones, but nevertheless undoubtedly a voice; for after a time I could distinguish a word now and then.

If there were in the world weird, misshapen little folks like fairies and gnomes, and we could hear their conversation, I imagine their voices would sound like this one to which now I was listening.

There was no wonder Mrs. Snyder had been impressed by it, if this were the voice she had heard.

Strange indeed, and unnatural, as though not of this world, it seemed to me. A creeping sensation came over me, not exactly like that produced by fear; there was more of awe, of solemnity, about it.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

A NOVEL LADDER.

It Was Lengthened by a Heroic Man's Form.

A ladder is made to be walked on, but a human ladder is a novelty, and sometimes a grand novelty. Such a ladder came into requisition in New York not very long ago. But after all, though the act was novel, the actor was but one in the long line of men and women who, in life's emergencies, are always on hand to exhibit that spirit of courageous self-forgetfulness which makes the looker-on feel that there is something grand left in humanity yet.

It was but the old story of a tenement house on fire, and a small crowd of frightened escaping tenants. They came down the fire escapes in desperate haste, before the firemen arrived upon the scene. But between the last rung of the ladder and the ground was a drop of ten feet.

The light, flimsy ladder swayed beneath the weight of the most venturesome tenant, who stood irresolute, frightened to take the big drop, and unable to return, for above was an ever-increasing weight of human beings pressing downward. It was a moment of peril and it threatened to be one of catastrophe. But just then the janitor stepped forward, self-possessed and self-forgetful. Standing on the stoop he reached up and found that his arms could just grasp the end of the shaky ladder.

"Climb over me," he cried, and stood his ground, holding on to the flimsy ladder, while men, women and children scrambled over him to a place of safety. By means of that human ladder they all reached the ground.—Youth's Companion.

He Didn't Care.

When Admiral de Horsey, at Port Royal, was one night returning to his flagship alone his way to the boat led across the barrack square. A black sentry, one of the West India regiments, halted him at the gate with: "Who goes dar?" Great was the admiral's annoyance to find that he had neglected to get the password. "That's all right," he said, carelessly, hoping to overcome the man's scruples of indifference, "you know who I am." "Dunno know nobody, sar," replied the negro, pompously; "you can't go in dar." "Why, I'm Admiral de Horsey!" "Well, you can't go in," was the reply. "I don't care if you's Admiral de Donkey, I don't."—Household Words.

A Plain Direction.

Canon Knox-Little told a good story once at a church congress. He said he remembered a lych-gate in front of a beautiful church, which had been restored and made very nice. There was painted over the door: "This is the Gate of Heaven," and underneath was the large notice: "Go round the other way."—Household Words.

Charged for It.

"And did the doctor give you any hope?"

"Well, I'd hardly call it giving."—Chicago Journal.

HE BROUGHT IT FROM THE WORLD'S FAIR.

And kept it two years.

How he lost it at last.

The great World's Fair, at Chicago, in 1893, while it gave pleasure to many, gave pain to not a few as an indirect result of their visit to the White City. People were lured along the miles of wonderful exhibits by the new marvels that met the gaze at every step, and did not realize their exhaustion until they dropped into a chair in some breezy corner by the lake, and "cooled off." That's what began the trouble, in many cases. Of one such case, Mrs. L. W. Stevens, Fort Fairfield, Me., writes:

"My husband took a severe cold and cough two years ago last October—time of the World's Fair, which we attended. This cough lasted over two years, was accompanied by spitting of blood, and nothing could be found to help him, although various remedies were tried. Several doctors were consulted, but their prescriptions afforded no relief. Finally, I saw an advertisement of Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my paper and prevailed upon my husband to get a bottle and try it. The very first dose helped him and he was completely cured in a short time. We feel very grateful for what Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has done for us, and shall keep it constantly on hand in the house."—Mrs. L. W. Stevens, Fort Fairfield, Me.

Two years of doctoring for a cough, two years of "remedies" that gave no help, of prescriptions that profited only the men who wrote them, and then a trial of Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, which helped from the very first dose and effected a complete cure in a short time. The difference between Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and all other cough medicines could not be better stated than in this comparison of results. It has cured the most stubborn and obstinate cases of chronic bronchitis and asthma. It is a specific for croup and whooping cough. It cures all coughs and colds and all affections of the throat and lungs promptly and effectively. In response to numerous demands Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is put up in half size bottles—sold at half price—50 cents. More about cures effected by Pectoral in Dr. Ayer's Curebook. Sent free, on request, by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

A GRAVEYARD COLLOQUY.

Between Two Black Men on a Dark Night.

At rare intervals the moon peeped through the billows of a sea of fleecy clouds and cast sickly beams across the path of a form which was walking slowly and steadily in a country graveyard. The figure stole furtive glances about him as he crept to the grave of a man who had died on the gallows on Friday. Just as the clock was tolling the midnight hour the form fell prostrate on the grave, uttering not a sound. Almost in an instant the figure arose. Taking a knife from his pocket, he made a single, rapid cut, and turned to leave the place. A moonbeam revealed a look of ghoulish glee on his countenance.

"Halt!"

The figure stopped.

"Who goes there?"

"Jist a poah niggah."

The figures met and the lantern's flash discloses the identity of the men.

"Sam Johnsing!"

"Hiram Jackson!"

"Whatcher doin' heah, Hiram Jackson? Lookin 'fo' ghostes?"

"Naw. What yo' doin' heah yo'se'f?"

"Come after dis rabbit's lef' hin' foot. Kotched him at 12 o'clock on a dahk night, on de grave ob a man hung on Friday. G'way, niggah! Wouldn't take a thousand dollahs fo' it. Yo' niggahs won't be in it wid me at cake-walks an' shootin' craps."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

DISCOUNTS AND PROFITS.

Bicycle agents have learned by experience that large discounts do not necessarily mean large profits. Large discounts are only obtainable by a sacrifice of quality of material, of care in manufacture, of rigid inspection, of thoroughness in finish, and of the numerous other items that go toward establishing the enviable reputation of a reputable bicycle. It is a well-known fact, for instance, that the discounts on Columbia bicycles are the smallest of any in the trade. The agent knows, however, that in this case he is buying his goods at the very lowest market price, but is willing to accept a smaller discount on the Columbia because he immediately discovers that the quantity of his sales is greater than can be effected by handling other makes, and he has the additional guarantee that not only can no one undersell him, but that it is equally impossible for any other dealer to obtain Columbia bicycles at lower prices than he himself pays. That the agency for such a bicycle is sought after is easy to appreciate, and in the same connection the reason is not far to seek why Columbia agents are sought after by other manufacturers who desire to follow the path of success, but while the subject of discounts is of vital interest to the agent, the quality of the discount is of much greater moment.

None in Stock.

Lady (to dog fancier)—What kinds of dogs have you for sale?

D. F.—Scotch terriers, Chinese pugs, French poodles and English setters.

"Have you any of these ocean greyhounds that I have read about?"—Detroit Free Press.

$400 For New Names!

The Salzer Seed Co. want suitable names for their 17-inch long corn and White Oat prodigy. You can win this $400 easily. Catalogue tells all about it. Seed potatoes only $1.50 a barrel. $500 in prizes!

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From Baby in the High Chair

to grandma in the rocker Grain-O is good for the whole family. It is the long-desired substitute for coffee. Never upsets the nerves or injures the digestion. Made from pure grain it is a food in itself. Has the taste and appearance of the best coffee at ¼ the price. It is a genuine and scientific article and is come to stay. It makes for health and strength. Ask your grocer for Grain-O

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A Sharp Answer.

Mose—Ef I sho'd escort anuddah lady to de ball nex' week would yo' feel much cut up?

Clarina—Nopey; yo' would.—Judge.

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We have not been without Piso's Cure for Consumption for 20 years.—Lizzie Ferrel, Camp St., Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, '94.

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WORKING WOMEN WHO SUFFER.

Should Get Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—The Whole Truth can be Told to her Because she is a Woman.

The suffering and pain endured by some working women is almost past belief. Here is a letter from one of the multitude of women who have been restored to health and usefulness by Mrs. Pinkham's advice and medicine:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—I feel as though your advice had lifted me from the grave. I must have been very near it. I suffered terribly at time of menstruation, was constantly troubled with cold hands and feet, was extremely nervous, could not sleep well, was troubled with frightened dreams, had heart trouble and a feeling as though my breath was going to stop, also had leucorrhœa. I tried to get help but all remedies failed, until I wrote to you. I cannot thank you enough for your kind advice, and I wish to tell every one the great good your remedies have done me.—Tamma C. Hoover, Wolfsville, Md.

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Ask Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—A Woman Best Understands a Woman's Ills

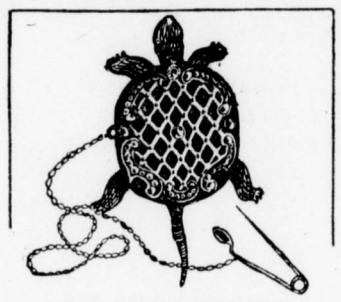
WOMAN AND HOME.

LATEST IN JEWELRY.

Live Tortoises Are Now Used in Paris for Ornaments.

The new "living jewelry" is all the rage in Paris. In a show window of a prominent jeweler on the Rue Royale there are a number of tiny living tortoises imbedded in jewels and crawling about on plush cushions.

The tortoises are from one-third to one-half of an inch long without the head. Their shells are covered with an ornament of filigree gold in which is set a number of precious stones. The little animals are in no way incommoded by



NEW LIVING JEWELRY.

their ornaments. To the shell is attached a tiny gold chain that can be pinned on the corsage by a safety pin.

The illustration represents one of these ornaments. It is a tortoise covered with a fine trellis work of rose diamonds and brilliants in Louis Quinze style. Some are ornamented with brilliants and rubies, others with turquoises and emeralds. In some the stones are set in the shape of a monogram.

When not exhibited on their plush background in the shop windows the animals are allowed to crawl around in a little doll garden in the store, which is planted with real shrubs and has a rustic bridge and gravel walks.

MANAGING INFANTS.

Babies Need a Reasonable Amount of "Letting Alone."

Although the baby is an exceedingly tiny member of the establishment, it requires more steps and more care than any other, and sometimes more than all the rest put together. Especially is this the case if the child is at all ailing or irritable, or has been spoiled during the first few months of its existence. The doting fondness of mothers for their babies, especially the first ones, is responsible for a great deal of hard work and unnecessary trouble as they grow older. There is nothing so beneficial to a baby of any age as a reasonable amount of judicious letting alone. This does not by any means presuppose neglect or even the lack of sufficient attention, but it does include among other things that rest and quiet and freedom from continual nervous strain that wrecks so many babies, and is one of the principal causes of the remarkable number of deaths that our statisticians are forced to chronicle.

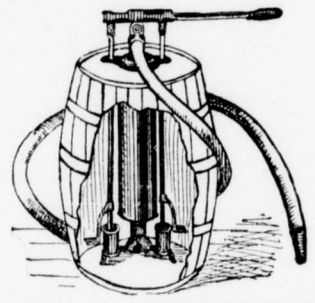
Careful feeding, warmth and quiet are three imperative necessities for healthy and happy children. Continual fussing over babies is the cause of a great many bad tempers and a great deal of illness. There is very much more in the infant incubator idea than the general public is willing to admit. It seems a dreadfully cold-hearted and cruel thing to put the dear little creatures into a boxy place and shut them up there, where one cannot get at them to kiss and cuddle them, but all the same this kissing and cuddling business is just what does the most harm. Of course, all of the mothers all over the country cannot have incubators and brooders for their babies, but they can exercise a little self-denial and let the little ones alone when they need rest and quiet. They can dress them properly, feed them at regular intervals and prevent their being disturbed by enthusiastic friends, who

THE FARMING WORLD.

FIGHTING INSECTS.

Some Valuable Formulas Furnished by Prof. Maynard.

Every fruit and plant has its peculiar insect enemies and fungous diseases. Progressive farmers, gardeners and fruit growers are provided with spraying machinery for overcoming these pests, and spraying is as much routine work as is cultivation or fertilizing. For fungous pests, because of cheapness, effectiveness and lasting qualities, the bordeaux mixture has superseded all other mixtures. To make it, four pounds of copper sulphate or blue vitriol are dissolved in two gallons of hot water; or, suspended in a coarse rack in a cask of cold water it will dissolve in a few hours. Caustic or quicklime, four pounds, is then slaked slowly by adding small quantities of water until thoroughly dissolved. When



DOUBLE CYLINDER SPRAY PUMP.

cooled, the lime wash is poured through a fine mesh sieve into the dissolved copper sulphate. To the mixture is then added 25 to 50 gallons of water. Destruction to fungous is probably caused by the copper, which is held in place by the lime. Should the bordeaux mixture disfigure the fruit, the ammoniacal carbonate of copper should be used and applied often, as it washes easily. Formula: Copper carbonate three ounces, ammonia enough to dissolve the copper, water 40 gallons.

Paris green and kerosene emulsion are the insecticides in most common use. Paris green effectually destroys chewing or leaf-eating insects, and is less liable to injure foliage than london purple. Use in water, one pound to 200 gallons. If lime is added, or the paris green added to the bordeaux mixture, use one pound to 50 gallons. For sucking insects, the kerosene emulsion is unequaled: Dissolve a half-pound of bar soap in two gallons of hot water, and while hot add two gallons of kerosene oil and stir until a lard-like substance is formed. When used, dilute with water to 15 or 25 gallons. Insects and fungous growths appear together, hence, many combine paris green with the bordeaux mixture, saving half the cost of application. For applying, the pump selected should throw a heavy stream, with considerable force, and yet work with ease. The illustration herewith shows a powerful pump and suitable sprayer for all ordinary crops. The barrel is readily mounted on any form of wagon.—Prof. S. T. Maynard, Mass. Agr. College, in Farm and Home.

VIRGINIA'S CONVICTS.

To Be Employed in the Construction of State Roads.

The bill to be introduced in the Virginia legislature, for the employment of convicts on the roads of the state, provides that all able-bodied male prisoners, sentenced to jail or penitentiary for more than 90 days, shall be subject to work on the roads. Those sentenced to county jails shall work upon the roads of such counties, unless there is no immediate need of them, in which case they may be hired to other counties, but only for road work.

The convicts not required for services in the penitentiary are to be distributed among the counties, on application, and none are to be hired out for any purpose but road work. Not less than five, nor more than 25, are to be assigned to any one county, every assignment to be made for a year, unless shorter time is requested, and then for not less than 90 days. If the number of convicts is not sufficient to fill the applications, they are to be supplied ratably.

Convicts, in respect to their work, are to be under the control of the county authorities in which they work; but, as prisoners, they are to "remain in the custody of the state authorities as if they remained in the penitentiary," and transportation expenses, guarding, feeding, clothing and medical attendance are to be paid by the state, the counties to provide suitable shelter.

Each county is to adopt and put in operation a scheme or plan for working its roads by such prisoners in its jail as are available, together with those which may be secured from the state, and "every county shall annually levy a road tax of not less than 15 cents, nor more than 30 cents, on every $100 of the value of the property, real and personal, assessed for taxes in the county, the proceeds to be applied to road improvement in said county."—L. A. W. Bulletin.

HORTICULTURAL HINTS.

Give the orchard all the potash that it needs.

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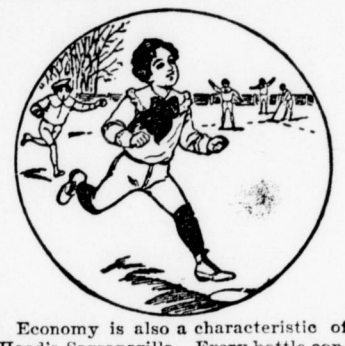
All Strength in His Limbs

gave out. The physicians told us it was paralysis, which sometimes follows an attack of diphtheria. We did everything for him, but he grew worse until he was in a pitiful condition. He suffered terribly at night and complained continually of his head, and in what little sleep he was able to get, moaned unceasingly. He lost all control of the muscles of his body and limbs. He had no appetite and complained of feeling sick at his stomach all the time. After we had tried many different remedies and had about given up all hope we commenced giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla. In a short time he ceased to complain, his appetite improved and at the end of three months he was able to attend school a part of the time. Now he is well and quite a strong and rugged boy. You are at liberty to use this testimonial if you desire, as we feel we cannot say too much in praise of Hood's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier and building up medicine." MRS. R. E. ANDERSON, Cumberland, Maine.



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"Scrubbing Service."

Incumbents of London churches which stand in need of a cleaning might do worse than follow the example set by the vicar of St. Lawrence's church, Birmingham, who recently announced a "scrubbing service," and invited the congregation to assist in the work. Soap, water and scrubbers were to be provided, but the elbow-grease must be furnished by the devout. The service is to last from three o'clock until 9:30, by which time he hopes that the last polishing touches will have been given, and the interior of the church present a glossy and shining appearance.—London Telegraph.

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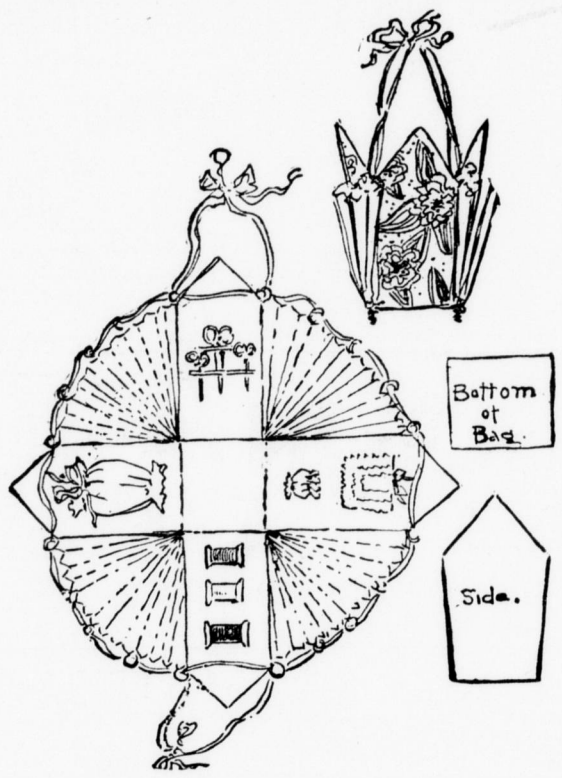

with ribbon for holding scissors, needlebooks, bags, etc. To hold all firmly in place small pasteboard pieces are slipped under the ribbon at bottom and sides.

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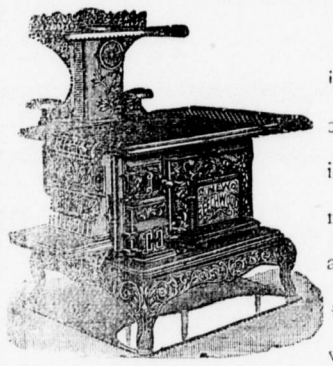

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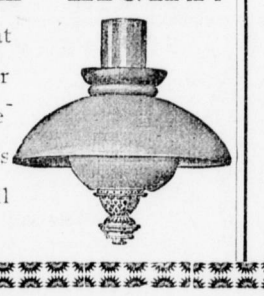

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